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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

PROMARK BRANDS INC. and H. J. HEINZ COMPANY,

Opposers,

VS.

GFA BRANDS, INC.,

Applicant.

Opposition No. 91194974 (Parent) and Opposition No. 91196358

U.S. Trademark Application 77/864,305 For the Mark **SMART BALANCE**

U.S. Trademark Application 77/864,268 For the Mark **SMART BALANCE**

OPPOSERS' NOTICE OF FILING OF CERTIFIED DEPOSITION TRANSCRIPT AND EXHIBITS

Pursuant to Rule 2.125(c) of the Trademark Rules of Practice and Section 703.01(k) of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Manual of Procedure (the "TBMP"), Opposers, ProMark Brands Inc. and H. J. Heinz Company, hereby file with the Board, and notify Applicant of the filing of, the corrected certified transcript and accompanying exhibits from the February 20, 2013, testimony deposition of Sabrina J. Hudson.

Pursuant to Section 703.01(n) of the TBMP, the transcript has been corrected by writing each correction above the original text that it corrects, each of which has been initialed by Ms. Hudson. (An Errata Sheet listing the corrections has also been included at the end of the transcript.)

Per the stipulated protective order filed on June 30, 2011, and approved by the Board on July 26, 2011, and pursuant to Rules 2.125(e) and 2.126(c) of the Trademark Rules of Practice and Section 703.01(p) of the TBMP, Applicant's Exhibit 1 has been designated as "Confidential – Attorney's Eyes Only" and is being filed with the Board under seal, under separate cover.

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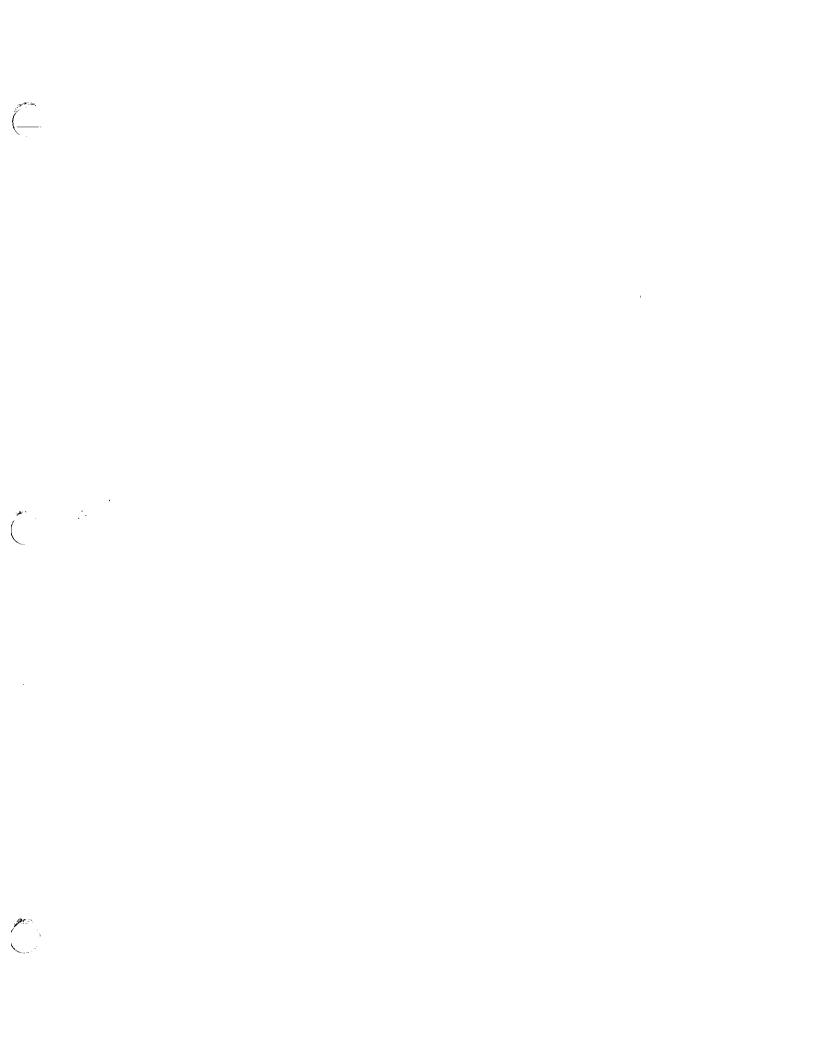
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6)Opposition No. 911963580 Opposers,
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12	Deposition of SABRINA HUDSON
13	Wednesday, February 20, 2013
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15	The deposition of SABRINA HUDSON, called as a witness in her own right, pursuant to Rule 2.123 of the Trademark Rules of Practice and Rules 28 and 30 of
16	the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, taken before me,
17	the undersigned, Jenna Nicole Freund, a Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at the
18	offices of Jones Day, 500 Grant Street, Suite 4500, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219, commencing at 9:00
19	o'clock a.m., the day and date above set forth.
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3	called as	a witness by the Opposers, having been first
4	duly sworn	, as hereinafter certified, was deposed and
5	said as fo	llows:
6		DIRECT EXAMINATION:
7	BY MR. FRA	ELICH:
8	Q	Could you state your full name for the
9	record, pl	ease?
10	A	Sabrina Jane Hudson.
11	Q	And are you currently employed?
12	A	Yes, I am.
13	Q	Where are you employed?
14	A	H.J. Heinz Company.
15	Q	How long have you been employed by Heinz?
16	A	About six and a half years.
17	Q	And do you have a title at the H.J. Heinz
18	Company?	
19	A	I do, it's associate director, corporate
20	counsel.	
21	Q	Do you have any other titles?
22	A	No.
23	Q	Could you describe for me some of your
24	responsibi	lities as associate director, corporate
25	counsel?	

- 2 A My main responsibility is to handle the
- 3 global trademark matters, and that includes everything
- 4 related to the trademarks including prosecution,
- 5 enforcement, also license agreements, deals and
- 6 acquisitions that relate to trademarks.
- 7 I also handle and support Heinz North
- 8 America advertising and marketing, so I review all the
- 9 U.S. advertising material before it goes out.
- I also review all the packaging for U.S.
- 11 and Canada. And in connection with supporting the
- 12 advertising marketing team from the legal perspective,
- 13 I would review any sort of co-promotion agreements.
- Another responsibility I have is I am also
- 15 responsible for global social media, as well, from a
- 16 legal perspective.
- 17 Q Are you an attorney?
- 18 A Yes, I am.
- 19 Q And you're licensed to practice where?
- 20 A In Pennsylvania.
- 21 Q And during the six and a half years that
- 22 you have worked at Heinz, have you had similar
- 23 responsibilities to those that you exercise now?
- 24 A Yes. It's been about a year since I took
- 25 on the advertising and marketing role for Heinz North

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- 2 America, but the whole six and a half years I have
- 3 been there I was handling the global trademark matters
- 4 for Heinz.
- 5 Q Are you the person primarily responsible
- 6 for global trademark matters for Heinz in Pittsburgh?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q And what did you do before you came to work
- 9 for Heinz?
- 10 A I was an attorney at a law firm in
- 11 Pittsburgh, it's now called K&L Gates.
- 12 Q How long were you there?
- 13 A Six and a half years.
- 14 Q And what type of work did you do at K&L
- 15 Gates?
- 16 A I did a couple different things, I did
- 17 trademark work as well, including prosecution,
- 18 enforcement, litigation, and then I also did general
- 19 litigation.
- 20 Q How much of your time at K&L Gates was
- 21 spent on matters involving trademarks?
- 22 A I would say 80 percent.
- 23 Q And as part of those responsibilities, did
- 24 you become familiar with the law related to
- 25 trademarks?

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- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q Are you familiar with the federal statute
- 4 that pertains to trademarks?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Do you know what the name of that statute
- 7 is?
- 8 A The Lanham Act.
- 9 Q Are you familiar with the Smart Balance
- 10 trademark?
- 11 A I am.
- 12 Q And are you aware of any applications being
- 13 filed in the United States Trademark Office?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q To your knowledge, how many applications
- 16 were filed for the Smart Balance trademark that are at
- 17 issue in this proceeding?
- 18 A Two.
- 19 Q And who provided instructions that those
- 20 marks were to be opposed?
- 21 A I did.
- Q Why did you do so?
- 23 A After we noticed that they were published
- 24 for opposition, we reviewed the applications and
- 25 decided that we should oppose based on a likelihood of

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- 2 confusion with our Smart Ones marks and a likelihood
- 3 of dilution with our Smart Ones marks.
- 4 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 5 Opposer's Exhibit 1, and tell me if you have ever seen
- 6 that document before?
- 7 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 1 was
- 8 marked for identification.)
- 9 A Thave.
- 10 Q Could you identify what it is for the
- 11 record, please?
- 12 A Yes, it is opposer's, which is Promark
- 13 Brands, Inc. and H.J. Heinz Company's notice of
- 14 testimony deposition in this opposition proceeding.
- 15 Q Okay. And is it your understanding that
- 16 you're here to provide testimony on behalf of H.J.
- 17 Heinz in connection with that proceeding?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And could you identify for me who the
- 20 opposers are in this opposition?
- 21 A Promark Brands, Inc. and H.J. Heinz Company
- 22 Q What is Promark Brands, Inc.?
- 23 A It's a wholly owned subsidiary of H.J.
- 24 Heinz Company, and at the time we filed this
- 25 opposition, Promark Brands, Inc. owned all rights and

- 1 SABRINA HUDSON
- 2 interests in the Smart Ones mark.
- 3 Since the filing of this opposition, those

- 4 were assigned to H.J. Heinz Company.
- 5 Q On a going forward basis, when I say Heinz,
- 6 I am going to be referring collectively to Promark
- 7 Brands, Inc. and H.J. Heinz Company; is that
- 8 acceptable to you?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q Ms. Hudson, are you familiar with the
- 11 history of Heinz?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Can you tell me a little bit about the
- 14 company?
- 15 A Yes. It started in 1869 by H.J. Heinz. It
- 16 is now a global food company with No. 1 and No. 2
- 17 brands in many products around the world. I think our
- 18 sales are a little over \$10 billion.
- 19 Q \$10 billion annually?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And where is Heinz headquartered in the
- 22 United States?
- 23 A Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Q Are you familiar with the products that
- 25 Heinz sells in the United States?

	2	A Yes.
	3	Q Can you describe some of the products that
	4	Heinz sells?
	5	A Yes. We have different categories:
	6	Condiments and sauces, which would include a variety
	7	of things including ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise,
	8	vinegar, pickles, other different sauces, barbecue
	9	sauces, pasta sauces.
	10	We also have a variety of frozen food
	11	products including frozen potatoes, frozen meals,
	12	entrees, snacks, breakfast, desserts, and we also
	13	have in our food service, we do a large soup
	14	business and I am trying to think, I think I have
	15	covered everything.
	16	Q Are you familiar with the trademarks that
	17	Heinz owns in connection with its product lines?
	18	A Yes.
	19	Q I don't expect an exhaustive list, but can
	20	you identify for me some of the most prominent
1	21	trademarks the company owns?
WH1	22	A Yes. Obviously, Heinz Ore-Ida, Smart Ones,
	23	Classico would be our some of our top brands in the
	24	U.S.
	25	Q You mentioned the Smart Ones trademark; are
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- 2 you familiar with the products that are sold in
- 3 connection with that trademark?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Tell me about the Smart Ones product line.
- 6 A We have frozen breakfasts, that would
- 7 include things like French toast, pancakes, breakfast
- 8 sandwiches, also meals that have eggs and potatoes in
- 9 them. We also have some breakfast wraps that have
- 10 eggs inside of them.
- 11 Then we have what we call a frozen entree
- 12 or frozen dinner line or segment, and that includes
- 13 trays and bagged meals which have a huge variety.
- 14 Some of them are more pasta based, they are Italian
- 15 style type meals, some of them are Asian based, Asian
- 16 style meals, we have Mexican style meals.
- We also have snacks and hand held entrees,
- 18 so those would include hamburger sliders, chicken
- 19 sliders, quesadillas, pizza snacks, we also have
- 20 pizzas, and desserts, as well.
- 21 Desserts would include things like ice
- 22 cream sundaes, cakes, pies.
- 23 Q Are you familiar with the history and
- 24 development of the Smart Ones brand?
- 25 A Yes.

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- 2 Q When was the Smart Ones product brand first
- 3 introduced into the market?
- 4 A Around 1992.
- 5 Q And that was in the United States?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And since that time, has the number of
- 8 products sold in connection with the Smart Ones
- 9 trademark grown larger or smaller?
- 10 A Larger. Since I have been at Heinz for six
- 11 and a half years, it's grown larger, as well.
- 12 Q How would you characterize the expansion?
- 13 Has it been -- I will let you characterize it. How
- 14 would you characterize the expansion of the brand?
- 15 A I would say it's been -- the growth has
- 16 been pretty high, not only in terms of innovation and
- 17 product introductions, for example, when we launched
- 18 the bag meals, I believe we launched around six or
- 19 seven SKUs at one time.
- 20 Also, not only the innovation of the
- 21 products, but just the advertising has greatly
- 22 increased.
- 23 Q You used the term SKUs; what's a SKU?
- 24 A I forget what it stands for, but basically,
- 25 it just means one product. If we have a macaroni and

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- 2 cheese product, that's a SKU. If we have a chicken
- 3 parmesan, that's another SKU. So it just refers to a
- 4 different item.
- 5 Q Is this a term that the company uses?
- 6 A The industry uses it.
- 7 Q So it's used by the retailers that sell
- 8 your products as well or not?
- 9 A I think so, yes.
- 10 Q Is the Smart Ones trademark important to
- 11 Heinz?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Why so?
- 14 A It's one of our top brands, especially in
- 15 the U.S.
- It's one of our top brands as far as sales,
- 17 and it's also -- you know, we are in the food
- 18 industry, we are also very big in health and wellness,
- 19 and this brand is an important brand for the health
- 20 and wellness platform.
- 21 Q Does the Smart Ones product line fall into
- 22 any particular category in the industry?
- 23 A Generally, we classify it in the frozen
- 24 nutritional category.
- Q What's the frozen nutritional category?

1 SABRINA HUDSON 2 It's generally items -- mostly meals that are somehow better for you. A lot of times it could 3 controlled be that they are portion control or they have lower 5 calories, lower fat, probably as a result maybe lower 6 in what people consider nutritionals that are not 7 necessarily good for you but have nutritionals that are better for you, whole grains and things like that. 8 9 Are they the type of product that people 10 eat if they are trying to lead a healthier lifestyle? 11 A I think it's a combination. It probably 12 depends on the consumer. I think some people eat those products to lose weight, I think some people eat 13 14 those products to maintain their weight, and I think 15 some people just eat it to -- you know, to live a healthier lifestyle and try to control their portions 16 and intake of bad nutritionals. 17 18 And are you familiar with the Smart Balance 19 brand? 20 A Yes. 21 Tell me what you know about the Smart 22 Balance brand.

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- 2 And my understanding is that it focuses a
- 3 lot on heart healthy. So it's meant for people who
- 4 are trying to watch their health, especially in terms
- 5 of things that -- ingredients or content that may be
- 6 bad for people who may have heart problems or heart
- 7 issues.
- 8 Q Would -- based upon your experience and
- 9 your responsibilities at Heinz, would you consider
- 10 products sold in connection with the Smart Balance
- 11 trademark to fall into the nutritional category?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Why is that?
- 14 A First of all, I think the way it's
- 15 positioned now is that it's better for you. I haven't
- 16 compared the nutritionals, I don't exactly know about
- 17 calories and fat.
- 18 Generally, when you have something that's
- 19 heart healthy, it's lower in sodium, lower in fat,
- 20 usually lower in calories, so it would fall into --
- 21 there is generally, my understanding, is two
- 22 categories in the frozen section, the nutritional
- 23 categories are what we term as more of the full fat,
- 24 so I don't think the heart healthy product would fall
- 25 into full fat, I think it would fall into the

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- 2 nutritional category.
- 3 Q What is your understanding about who owns
- 4 the Smart Balance trademark?
- 5 A GFA Brands.
- 6 Q And as a consequence of your
- 7 responsibilities at Heinz, have you had occasion to
- 8 compare the Smart Ones trademark to the Smart Balance
- 9 trademark?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q As part of that comparison, do you believe
- 12 that the Smart Ones trademark and the Smart Balance
- 13 trademark are similar in appearance?
- 14 A I do.
- 15 Q Do you believe that the Smart Ones
- 16 trademark and the Smart Balance trademark are similar
- 17 in sound?
- 18 A I do.
- 19 Q Do you believe that the Smart Ones
- 20 trademark and the Smart Balance trademark are similar
- 21 in meaning?
- 22 A I do.
- Q What is a commercial impression? In your
- 24 industry when you talk about a commercial impression,
- 25 what does that mean?

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- 2 A It's sort of the impression that consumers
- 3 get when they see a mark or a product.
- 4 Q Okay. And in your opinion, do -- does the
- 5 Smart Balance trademark and the Smart Ones trademark
- 6 convey the same commercial impression?

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- 7 A Yes, I do think.
- 8 Q What if any concerns do you have about the
- 9 Smart Balance trademark?
- 10 A Well, if they begin selling these products
- 11 in the frozen nutritional category or in the frozen
- 12 category, they will directly compete with our Smart
- 13 Ones products.
- And I believe that the use of Smart Balance
- 15 in connection with frozen food products is going to
- 16 cause consumer confusion with our Smart Ones marks.
- And also, I think it's going to dilute the
- 18 good will and the distinctive quality of our Smart
- 19 Ones trademark.
- 20 Q Could you provide a description of some of
- 21 the products that I might see if I would go to a
- 22 grocery store shopping for a Smart Ones product?
- 23 A Yes. If you were shopping for breakfast,
- 24 as I said before, French toast, pancakes, breakfast
- 25 sandwiches which are usually an English muffin with

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- 2 egg and maybe a slice of meat on them and cheese.
- 3 And then for our entrees we have three
- 4 cheese ziti, macaroni and cheese, we have some -- I
- 5 forget the exact name of the product, but some Mexican
- 6 style wraps, we have shrimp marinara pasta, we have
- 7 some Asian style like sesame chicken, and then we have
- 8 pizza snacks, hamburger sliders, little quesadillas.
- 9 And then desserts, chocolate chip ice cream
- 10 sundae, key lime pie are some examples.
- 11 Q And how would you describe the reputation
- 12 of the Smart Ones trademark among consumers?
- 13 A I think it's very high.
- 14 Q Why do you say that?
- 15 A First of all, it's been a brand that's been
- 16 in existence, if my math is right, a little over 20
- 17 years and, you know, it's been an important brand,
- 18 it's been highly promoted over those 20 years and even
- 19 more so since I have been at Heinz.
- 20 And we have a very high sales volume, so I
- 21 think consumers know it and, you know, recognize it.
- 22 Q Do you currently consider GFA Brands to be
- 23 a competitor of Heinz?
- 24 A Not currently because they are not selling
- 25 any products that are in our product categories.

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- 2 Q Assuming hypothetically that GFA Brands
- 3 were to introduce a frozen nutritional product in
- 4 connection with the Smart Balance trademark, would you
- 5 consider it to be a competitor of Heinz at that point?
- 6 A Yes, I would.
- 7 Q Why is that?
- 8 A They would be selling the exact same
- 9 products.
- 10 Q Do you believe that the introduction of
- 11 such nutritional products in connection with the Smart
- 12 Balance trademark would cause confusion?
- 13 A I do.
- 14 Q How would that confusion manifest itself in
- 15 your opinion?
- 16 A It can manifest in a variety of different
- 17 ways. You could have a situation where someone could
- 18 purchase their product thinking it is ours, you could
- 19 have someone thinking that the two parties are related
- 20 or there is some sort of licensing relationship so
- 21 that if, you know, I am a consumer and I purchase a
- 22 Smart Balance frozen entree and I don't like it, then
- 23 I may call Heinz and complain or I may go to Heinz's
- 24 Smart Ones Facebook page and complain.
- 25 And that would have a negative impact on

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- 2 our good will of our Smart Ones trademark.
- 3 Q To date, are you aware of any actual
- 4 confusion that's occurred as a result of GFA Brands'
- 5 use of the Smart Balance trademark and Heinz's use of
- 6 the Smart Ones trademark?
- 7 A No, but I wouldn't expect to because they
- 8 are not in our product categories.
- 9 Q But if they enter your product categories,
- 10 what do you think will occur?
- 11 A I think there will be confusion.
- 12 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 13 Opposer's Exhibit 2 and ask you to take a look at that
- 14 document, please.
- 15 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 2 was
- 16 marked for identification.)
- 17 A Okay.
- 18 Q And do you recognize this document?
- 19 A I do.
- 20 Q And could you describe what it is for the
- 21 record?
- 22 A It's a four-page document. The first is a
- 23 copy of the U.S. registration certificate for U.S.
- 24 registration No. 1911590 for the mark Smart Ones, and
- 25 then the last three pages are printouts from the U.S.

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- 2 Patent and Trademark Offices website, their TARR
- 3 system, T-A-R-R.
- 4 Q Let me direct your attention to the last
- 5 page of the printout.
- 6 A Okay.
- 7 Q And could you identify who the
- 8 correspondent is for this trademark registration?
- 9 A It's me.
- 10 Q And who owns this registration?
- 11 A H.J. Heinz Company.
- 12 Q Could you describe for the record what the
- 13 goods are that are claimed in the registration?
- 14 A Class 29, frozen entrees consisting
- 15 primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables,
- 16 and class 30, frozen entrees consisting primarily of
- 17 pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other
- 18 foods.
- 19 Q Does Heinz currently use the Smart Ones
- 20 trademark in connection with these goods?
- 21 A It does.
- 22 Q What is your understanding of the date that
- 23 Heinz first began using the Smart Ones mark in
- 24 connection with the goods designated in this
- 25 registration?

	2	A At least as early as May 1992.
	3	Q Do you believe that Heinz has continuously
	4	used the Smart Ones trademark in connection with the
	5	goods identified in this registration since that date?
	6	A I do.
	7	Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
	8	Opposer's Exhibit 3 and ask you to take a look at
	9	that, please.
	10	Do you recognize this document?
	11	(Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 3 was
	12	marked for identification.)
	13	A I do.
	14	Q Could you describe what it is for the
	15	record, please?
	16	A It's a four page document, the first page
	17	is a copy of the U.S. Trademark Registration registration
IKE	18	Certificate for trademark register No. 2204080 for the
	19	mark Smart Ones, and the remaining three pages are a
	20	printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
	21	electronic TARR system.
	22	Q Let me direct your attention to the last
	23	page of the exhibit; there is someone identified as
	24	the correspondent?
	25	A Me.

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2	Q	Can you tell me who owns this registration?
3	А	H.J. Heinz Company.
4	Q	Can you recite for the record what the
5	goods are	that are claimed in this registration?
6	А	Class 30, it's frozen desserts consisting
7	of milk bas	sed or milk substitute based desserts,
8	cakes, pies	5.
9	Q	And do you know if Heinz currently uses the
10	Smart Ones	trademark in connection with these goods?
11	А	It does.
12	Q	What is your understanding of the date that
13	Heinz first	began using the Smart Ones trademark in
14	connection	with these goods?
15	A	At least as early as November 1997.
16	Q	Do you believe that Heinz currently uses
17	the Smart (Ones trademark in connection with these
18	goods?	
19	А	I do.
20	Q	Let me hand you what's been marked as
21	Opposer's H	Exhibit 4 and ask you to take a look at that
22	for me, ple	ease.
23		Do you recognize this document?
24		(Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 4 was
25	marked	d for identification.)

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- 2 A I do.
- 3 Q Could you describe it for the record,
- 4 please?
- 5 A It's a four-page document. The first page
- 6 is a copy of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- 7 registration certificate for registration No. 2916538
- 8 for the mark Smart Ones. The remaining three pages
- 9 are printouts from U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 10 electronic TARR system.
- 11 Q Let me direct your attention to the last
- 12 page of the exhibit. Listed as both the attorney of
- 13 record and the correspondent for this registration is
- 14 who?
- 15 A Me.
- 16 Q Can you tell me who owns this registration?
- 17 A H.J. Heinz Company.
- 18 Q What are the goods that are claimed in the
- 19 registration?
- 20 A Pizza in class 30.
- 21 Q Does Heinz currently use the Smart Ones
- 22 trademark in connection with pizza?
- 23 A It does.
- Q Do you know when Heinz began using the
- 25 Smart Ones trademark in connection with pizza?

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- 2 A At least as early as November 1997.
- 3 Q Is it your understanding that Heinz has
- 4 continuously used the Smart Ones trademark in
- 5 connection with pizza since that date?
- 6 A It is.
- 7 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 8 Opposer's Exhibit 5 and ask you to tell me if you have
- 9 ever seen this document before?
- 10 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 5 was
- 11 marked for identification.)
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Could you describe what it is for the
- 14 record?
- 15 A It's a four-page document, the first one is
- 16 a copy of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 17 registration certificate for registration
- 18 No. 2916539. The remaining three pages are a printout
- 19 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's electronic
- 20 TARR system.
- 21 Q Let me direct your attention to the last
- 22 page of Exhibit 5. And identified as both the
- 23 attorney of record and the correspondent for this
- 24 registration is who?
- 25 A Me.

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- 2 Q Could you recite for the record what the
- 3 goods are that are claimed in this registration?
- 4 A In class 30, precooked, ready to eat frozen
- 5 bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling
- 6 with or without cheese.
- 7 Q Does Heinz currently use the Smart Ones
- 8 trademark in connection with those goods?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q What is your understanding of the date that
- 11 Heinz first began using the Smart Ones trademark in
- 12 connection with those goods?
- 13 A At least as early as April 2001.
- 14 Q Do you believe that Heinz has continuously
- 15 used the Smart Ones trademark in connection with those
- 16 goods?
- 17 A I do.
- 18 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 19 Opposer's Exhibit 6, and tell me if you recognize that
- 20 document?
- 21 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 6 was
- 22 marked for identification.)
- 23 A I do.
- Q Could you identify it for the record
- 25 please?

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- 2 A It's a four-page document. The first page
- 3 is a copy of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- 4 registration certificate for registration No. 3462182
- 5 for the mark Smart Ones.
- 6 The remaining three pages are printouts
- 7 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's electronic
- 8 TARR system.
- 9 Q Let me direct your attention to the last
- 10 page of this Exhibit 6, and could you identify for me
- 11 who the individual is that's designated as both the
- 12 attorney of record and correspondent for this
- 13 registration?
- 14 A Me.
- 15 Q Who owns this registration?
- 16 A H.J. Heinz Company.
- 17 Q What are the goods claimed in the
- 18 registration?
- 19 A In class 30, frozen foods, namely breakfast
- 20 sandwiches and muffins.
- 21 Q Do you know if Heinz currently uses the
- 22 Smart Ones trademark in connection with those goods?
- 23 A It does.
- Q What is your understanding of what Heinz
- 25 first began using the Smart Ones trademark in

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- 2 connection with those goods?
- 3 A At least at early as December 1997.
- 4 Q Do you believe that Heinz has continuously
- 5 used the Smart Ones trademark in connection with those
- 6 goods since that date?
- 7 A I do.
- 8 Q As part of your responsibilities for Heinz,
- 9 do you actively monitor potentially conflicting
- 10 trademarks?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Describe that process for me.
- 13 A We have a couple different ways that we do
- 14 that. First of all, we hire a third party who sends
- 15 us reports once a day of confusing marks based on the
- 16 marks that we have given them, and I personally review
- 17 that list.
- And then we also have a paralegal in our
- 19 department who reviews the U.S. Official Gazette and
- 20 then she brings to my attention any marks that are
- 21 confusingly similar that she thinks may be an issue.
- 22 Q Do you undertake the exercise you just
- 23 described in connection with the Smart Ones trademark,
- 24 as well?
- 25 A Yes, we do.

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- Q Does Heinz seek to stop those that are
- 3 using trademarks which it believes are confusingly
- 4 similar to the Smart Ones trademark?
- 5 A It does.
- 6 Q Describe that process for me, please.
- 7 A Well, as I said, you know, if I notice
- 8 something when I am reviewing the third party report
- 9 or if the paralegal notices something, she brings it
- 10 to my attention.
- 11 We will review the mark, we will review the
- 12 goods and also sometimes do research on the
- 13 applicant. And then occasionally, we will discuss
- 14 with outside counsel, and then if we believe that it
- 15 is an application that is likely to confuse consumers,
- 16 cause dilution or otherwise damage Heinz's rights,
- 17 then we will object.
- 18 Q Are there occasions where you will find a
- 19 trademark that you initially think is problematic but
- 20 upon further evaluation, you do not regard it as such?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q What are the criteria that you apply in
- 23 determining that a trademark is not problematic?
- 24 A We consider a lot of the DuPont factors,
- 25 likelihood of confusion factors that courts and the

1 SABRINA HUDSON 2 trademark trial and appeal board has considered in the past. 4 Obviously, with an application, you're limited in all of those factors, so we primarily focus 5 on similarity of the marks in terms of sight, sound and meaning and similarity of the goods, also the strength of our mark and similarity to marketing 8 HLR channels. 10 Does Heinz ever send letters to entities 11 that are using or applying for trademarks which it 12 deems to be problematic? 13 A It does. 14 Does it send such letters in connection 15 with the Smart Ones trademark? 16 A It does. 17 0 Does Heinz ever file opposition proceedings 18 in the trademark trial and appeal board when it 19 determines there is a potential conflict between a 20 trademark it owns and a trademark that's been applied 21 for by another entity? 22 A It does. 23 And it did so in connection with this

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proceeding; correct?

It did.

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- 2 Q Who is the person that made the decision to
- 3 file this opposition proceeding against GFA Brands?
- 4 A Ultimately, it was me.
- 5 Q Okay. Has Heinz ever entered into any
- 6 agreements with third parties relating to the Smart
- 7 Ones trademark?
- 8 A We have entered into settlement agreements,
- 9 and then historically, we had some license agreements,
- 10 but those are no longer in existence.
- 11 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 12 Exhibit 7 and ask you to take a look at that document
- 13 for me, please.
- 14 Can you describe what Exhibit 7 is for the
- 15 record, please?
- 16 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 7 was
- 17 marked for identification.)
- 18 A Yes. The first couple of pages are a
- 19 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 20 trademark trial and appeal board electronic system
- 21 regarding an opposition that was filed by Heinz
- 22 against GFA Brands' application for Smart Balance, and
- 23 then after that is a copy of the actual notice of
- 24 opposition that was filed.
- 25 Q Are you able to discern from this exhibit

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- 2 the goods that GFA applied to register in connection
- 3 with the Smart Balance trademark?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Can you recite those goods for the record,
- 6 please?
- 7 A In class 29, all goods -- okay -- frozen
- 8 appetizers primarily containing poultry, meat, seafood
- 9 or vegetables, frozen entrees primarily containing
- 10 poultry, meat, seafood or vegetables.
- In class 30, frozen entrees consisting
- 12 primarily of pasta or rice.
- 13 Q Is there an overlap between the goods
- 14 described in the GFA application for Smart Balance and
- 15 the trademark registration that Heinz owns for Smart
- 16 Ones?
- 17 A Yes, a direct overlap.
- 18 Q Okay. And with respect to the other
- 19 application, can you identify for the record the goods
- 20 that were applied for in connection with that
- 21 application filed by GFA in connection with Smart
- 22 Balance?
- 23 A Yes. In class 29, soy chips and yucca
- 24 chips, y-u-c-c-a, snack mixes consisting primarily of
- 25 processed fruits, processed nuts, raisins and/or

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- 2 seeds, nut and seed based snack bars.
- In class 30, cake mix, frosting, cakes,
- 4 frozen cakes, cookies, coffee, tea, hot chocolate,
- 5 bread, rolls, crackers, pretzels, corn chips, snack
- 6 mixes consisting primarily of crackers, pretzels, nuts
- 7 and/or popped popcorn, spices, granola based snack
- 8 bars, pita chips.
- 9 Q And is there an overlap between the goods
- 10 applied for in connection with this application and
- 11 the goods that Heinz owns in connection with its Smart
- 12 Ones trademarks?
- 13 A Yes, some of them there is a direct overlap
- 14 because we also sell frozen cakes.
- 15 Q So primarily, the overlap with respect to
- 16 this application falls in the category of frozen
- 17 cakes?
- 18 A Or in cakes, yes.
- 19 Q Have there been occasions where you have
- 20 had -- strike that.
- 21 Have there been instances in the past where
- 22 you filed oppositions against other trademarks that
- 23 incorporate the word "smart"?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Have you instructed outside counsel to file

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- 2 opposition proceedings against those trademarks?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 5 Exhibit 8 and ask you to review that document for me,
- 6 please?
- 7 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 8 was
- 8 marked for identification.)
- 9 A Okay.
- 10 Q Can you identify what this document is for
- 11 the record?
- 12 A Yes. The first couple pages are a printout
- 13 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 14 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 15 an opposition that was filed by Heinz against an
- 16 individual Mark Sterner, S-t-e-r-n-e-r, his
- 17 application for Smart Choice, and the remaining pages
- 18 are the actual notice of opposition that was filed or
- 19 a copy of the notice of opposition that was filed.
- 20 Q What were the goods that Mr. Sterner was
- 21 seeking to register in connection with the Smart
- 22 Choice trademark?
- 23 A Soups.
- Q What action did Heinz take with respect to
- 25 that application?

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	2	A We opposed it.
	3	Q Was the Smart Choice mark registered, to
	4	your knowledge?
	5	A I don't believe so.
	6	Q Okay. And do you recall what the
	7	resolution was of this proceeding?
	8	A I believe either we settled with the
	9	applicant or he agreed to withdraw the application.
	10	Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
	11	Exhibit 9, and tell me if you recognize that document?
	12	(Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 9 was
	13	marked for identification.)
	14	A I do.
	15	Q And can you identify it for the record
	16	please?
	17	A Yes. The first couple pages are a printout
	18	from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
	19	trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding application
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	21	and I will spell his last name, K-o-l-e-o-g-l-o-u, for
	22	an application for Smart One, and the remaining pages
	23	are a copy of the actual notice of opposition.
	24	And the opposition was filed by Heinz.
	25	Q Can you tell me what the goods were that
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- 2 Mr. Koleoglou was attempting to register in connection
- 3 with the Smart One trademark?
- 4 A Yes. In class 28, golf balls, golf club aids aids
 - 5 bags, golf club swing aides, mainly putting aides in

user's putting stroke, golf clubs, golf putters,

the nature of golf putter attachment for improving

- 8 putting practice mats.
- 9 Q And you provided instructions to oppose
- 10 this trademark?

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- 11 A I did.
- 12 Q And the goods identified in Mr. Koleogolu's
- 13 application seem to be someone far afield from those
- 14 that Heinz uses in connection with the Smart Ones
- 15 trademark, his application was for Smart One.
- Do you have an understanding as to what the
- 17 reason was that you opposed that trademark?
- 18 A Yes. First and foremost, he filed for what
- 19 we consider the same mark. As the trademark office
- AM 20 and the law is held, you know, Smart One and Smart
 - 21 Ones are essentially the same mark.
 - 22 So even though the goods are not in the
 - 23 food category, the mark is the same, so -- and we
 - 24 also -- even though we don't own any registrations, we
 - 25 do have sometimes in connection with our stores, we

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- 2 sell merchandise that may contain the Smart Ones mark
- 3 on it, and we also a lot of times give away
- 4 promotional merchandise that includes the Smart Ones
- 5 mark on it that may be closer or exactly the same as
- 6 these goods.
- 8 outcome was of this opposition?
- 9 A I am fairly certain that we settled with
- 10 the applicant.
- 11 Q Do you remember offhand what he agreed to
- 12 do or not to do?
- 13 A I think he agreed to limit his goods, and I
- 14 also think he agreed to limit the way he used the mark
- 15 so there would not be any likelihood of confusion with
- 16 the use of our mark, for example, the color and the
- 17 style of how the mark is used.
- 18 Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
- 19 as Exhibit 10 and ask you to take a look at that for
- 20 me, please.
- 21 And do you recognize this document?
- 22 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 10 was
- 23 marked for identification.)
- 24 A I do.
- 25 Q And can you identify it for the record,

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- 2 please?
- 3 A Yes. The first couple pages are the
- 4 electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark
- 5 Office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic
- 6 system regarding an opposition that Heinz filed
- 7 against AdvancePierre, A-d-v-a-n-c-e-P-i-e-r-r-e,
- 8 Foods, Inc.'s application for Smart Picks, p-i-c-k-s,
- 9 and the remaining pages are the actual notice of
- 10 opposition.
- 11 Q Now, contained in the notice of opposition
- 12 as a description of goods that AdvancePierre was
- 13 attempting to register in connection with the Smart
- 14 Picks trademark, and the list is quite extensive so I
- 15 am not going to ask you to read it into the record,
- 16 but can you identify for me generally what the goods
- 17 were in classes 29 and 30 that you deemed to be
- 18 problematic?
- And if you need to take the time to read
- 20 through it, please do so.
- 21 A Well, they are in class 29 and 30, and a
- 22 lot of them are meat-based products. Probably the
- 23 most concerning to us were the sandwiches, in
- 24 particular the burger and cheeseburger sandwiches, as
- 25 I mentioned, Smart Ones has hamburger sliders.

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- 2 And then I would also say the whole grain
- 3 macaroni and cheese, Heinz not only sells macaroni and
- 4 cheese, but also other -- we have a three cheese ziti
- 5 which is essentially a pasta and cheese product with a
- 6 pasta sauce or tomato sauce.
- 7 Q Did you have occasion to work with outside
- 8 counsel to negotiate a resolution of this matter?
- 9 A I believe so, yes.
- 10 Q Do you recall if AdvancePierre intended to
- 11 use the Smart Picks trademark in a particular market
- 12 segment?
- 13 A Yes, they were just going to use it in the
- 14 institutional setting.
- 15 Q What is the institutional setting?
- 16 A If I remember correctly, it was mostly
- 17 hospitals, prisons, I can't remember if it included
- 18 schools or not.
- 19 Q Do you recall what the resolution of this
- 20 dispute was?
- 21 A I believe we settled, and I believe that
- 22 they agreed to amend the goods description to limit it
- 23 just to goods sold in that institutional channel.
- They also agreed, if I remember correctly,
- 25 to restrict their use just to that channel.

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- 2 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 3 Exhibit 11 and ask you to take a look at that
- 4 document, please.
- 5 Can you identify this document for the
- 6 record?
- 7 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 11 was
- 8 marked for identification.)
- 9 A Yes. The first couple pages are a printout
- 10 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 11 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 12 an opposition filed by Heinz against Nestle's
- 13 trademark application for SmartNourish, one word.
- And the remaining pages are a copy of the
- 15 actual notice of opposition.
- 16 Q Could you recite for the record the goods
- 17 that Nestle was seeking to register in connection with
- 18 its SmartNourish trademark?
- 19 A In class 29, freeze died fruits and
- 20 vegetables, prepackaged meals consisting primarily of
- 21 meat, poultry, vegetables, cheese and fruit, fruit
- 22 based snack foods, fruit and yogurt based snack foods,
- 23 dairy based beverages, cheese and milk products
- 24 excluding ice cream, ice milk and frozen yogurts.
- In class 30, prepackaged meals consisting

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	2	primarily of pasta with meat sauce, pasta and sauce,
	3	processed meat, bakery products, namely crackers,
	4	cookies, biscuits, grain-based snacks foods and whole
	5	grain snacks.
	6	Q Did Heinz oppose that application?
	7	A We did.
	8	Q What was the reason for the opposition?
1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	9	A Well, there was we believe there is a
HE	10	likelihood of confusion with our Smart Ones'
	11	registrations, in particular with regard to certain of
	12	the goods that directly overlapped, the prepackaged
	13	meals, and then yes, I think that was it.
	1.4	Q And do you have a recollection as to how
	15	this proceeding was resolved, if it was?
	16	A I believe that I don't think we entered
	17	into a settlement agreement with them, I think they,
	18	on their own, after we opposed, agreed to amend the withdrew
H	19	application, and with our consent, and we withdraw
	20	the opposition based on their amendment, but I can't
	21	recall with certainty.
	22	Q Are you aware that Nestle owns the Gerber
	23	baby food company?
	24	A Yes.
	25	Q Do you have a recollection as to whether or
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- 2 not the resolution of this proceeding had anything to
- 3 do with respect to the limitation of goods with
- 4 respect to the Gerber baby food company?
- 5 A Yes, now I remember. Their -- we did work
- 6 out an agreement with them. They were primarily
- 7 targeting infants and small children for these
- 8 products, so they agreed to limit it to that.
- 9 Q Is it fair to say that generally the Smart
- 10 Ones product line is not targeted towards infants and
- 11 children?
- 12 A That's correct.
- Q Okay. And let me hand you what's been
- 14 marked as Exhibit 12. And can you identify Exhibit 12
- 15 for the record, please?
- 16 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 12 was
- 17 marked for identification.)
- 18 A Yes. The first couple of pages are an
- 19 electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark
- 20 Office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic
- 21 system regarding an opposition that Heinz filed
- 22 against Sears Brands' trademark application for Smart
- 23 Sense, and the remaining pages are a copy of the
- 24 notice of opposition.
- 25 Q And what were the goods that Sears was

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- 2 attempting to register that were potentially
- 3 problematic in connection with the Smart Sense
- 4 trademark.
- 5 A Class 30, they filed for a variety of
- 6 different goods. Do you want me to read them?
- 7 Q Why don't you just identify for me the
- 8 goods, if any, that you deemed potentially
- 9 problematic.
- 10 A Definitely the macaroni and cheese. As 1
- 11 said before, Heinz has a Smart Ones macaroni and
- 12 cheese product, also the packaged entrees consisting
- 13 primarily of pasta.
- 14 Q And was this matter resolved?
- 15 A It was.
- 16 Q Do you have a recollection upon the terms
- 17 it was resolved with Sears brands?
- 18 A We settled. I do not recall the exact
- 19 terms of the settlement, but it should be in the
- 20 settlement agreement.
- 21 Q Okay.
- MR. FRAELICH: Let's go off the record.
- 23 (Recess taken.)
- Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 25 Exhibit 13 and ask you to identify that document for

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- 2 the record, please.
- 3 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 13 was
- 4 marked for identification.)
- 5 A The first couple pages of the document are
- 6 an electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and
- 7 Trademark Office's trademark trial and appeal board's
- 8 electronic system regarding an opposition Heinz filed
- 9 against Food Lion's trademark application for Smart
- 10 Option, and the remaining pages are a copy of the
- 11 actual notice of opposition.
- 12 Q What is Food Lion?
- 13 A It is a retail grocery store.
- 14 Q Is it your understanding this was a private
- 15 label of Food Lion?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Were there goods identified in the
- 18 application that Food Lion was attempting to register
- 19 with that Smart Option that you deemed to be
- 20 problematic?
- 21 A Yes, in class 30 for frozen pizza.
- Q What was the basis for the opposition, in
- 23 your opinion?
- 24 A We sell frozen pizza, so the goods were
- 25 identical, and then the confusing similarity between

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- 2 Smart Option and Smart Ones.
- 3 Q Do you have a recollection if this matter
- 4 was resolved or not?
- 5 A It was, we settled.
- 6 Q Do you remember generally what the terms of
- 7 the settlement were?
- 8 A I believe one thing is they were planning
- 9 to use it not in connection with a nutritional type
- 10 product, but with a less expensive item, so it was
- 11 going to be positioned a lot differently.
- 12 I believe we agreed they could use it, but
- 13 only with certain parameters in the marketplace that
- 14 we thought would decrease any likelihood of confusion.
- 15 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 16 Exhibit 14, and tell me if you can identify that,
- 17 please?
- 18 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 14 was
- 19 marked for identification.)
- 20 A Yes. The first couple of pages are an
- 21 electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark
- 22 Office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic
- 23 system regarding an opposition that Heinz filed
- 24 against Deacon, D-e-a-c-o-n, Dog Brand's application
- 25 for Smart Fry, f-r-y, and the remaining pages are a

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- 2 copy of the actual notice of opposition.
- 3 Q Okay. And looking at the goods that were
- 4 applied for by Deacon Dog brands, can you tell me what
- 5 the goods were that you deemed potentially
- 6 problematic?
- 7 A I think it's pretty much all of them in
- 8 class 29, frozen entrees, packaged entrees, frozen
- 9 appetizers, packaged appetizers, frozen side dishes,
- 10 packaged side dishes.
- 11 Q And do you have a recollection as to
- 12 whether this matter was resolved or not?
- 13 A It was, I believe they withdrew their
- 14 application.
- 15 Q To your knowledge, did the application
- 16 filed by Deacon Dog Brands ever register?
- 17 A To my knowledge, I don't think it did.
- 18 Q I am going to hand you what's been marked
- 19 as Exhibit 15. Tell me if you can identify that for
- 20 the record, please?
- 21 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 15 was
- 22 marked for identification.)
- 23 A Yes. The first couple of the pages are an
- 24 electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark
- 25 Office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic

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- 2 system regarding an opposition filed by Heinz against
- 3 Shining Ocean's application for Smart Salmon, and the
- 4 remaining pages are a copy of the actual notice of
- 5 opposition.
- 6 Q Can you tell me -- can you recite the goods
- 7 and services that Shining Ocean was attempting to
- 8 register in connection with the Smart Salmon
- 9 trademark?
- 10 A Frozen or refrigerated salmon filet with
- 11 sauce.
- 12 Q Do you have a recollection as to whether or
- 13 not this matter was resolved or not?
- 14 A It was.
- 15 Q And can you tell me the terms?
- 16 A I believe they agreed to withdraw the
- 17 application.
- 18 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 19 Exhibit 16, and please identify that for the record?
- 20 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 16 was
- 21 marked for identification.)
- 22 A The first couple of pages are a printout
- 23 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 24 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 25 an opposition that was filed by Heinz against Conagra,

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- 2 C-o-n-a-g-r-a, Foods' application for Smart Breakfast,
- 3 and the remaining pages are a copy of the actual
- 4 notice of opposition.

- 5 Q And could you tell me the goods that
- 6 Conagra was attempting to register in connection with
- 7 Smart Breakfast that you deemed to be problematic?
- 8 A English muffin sandwiches, bagel
- 9 sandwiches, croissant sandwiches, breakfast pizza,
- 10 breakfast burritos, breakfast wraps, muffins, cinnamon
- 11 rolls and bakery goods.
- 12 Q Why did you deem those goods to be
- 13 problematic?
- 14 A We have English muffin sandwiches and we
- 15 have breakfast wraps.
- 16 Q And do you have a recollection as to
- 17 whether or not this matter was resolved or not?
- 18 A It was.
- 19 Q And can you -- do you recall the terms upon
- 20 which it was resolved?
- 21 A I believe they agreed to withdraw their
- 22 application.
- Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 24 Exhibit 17.
- Tell me if you could identify that for the

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- 2 record, please?
- 3 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 17 was
- 4 marked for identification.)
- 5 A Yes, the first couple of pages are
- 6 electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark
- 7 Office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic
- 8 system regarding an opposition Heinz filed against
- 9 Redi, R-e-d-i, hyphen, Quick's trademark application
- 10 for the mark Smart Burrito, and the remaining pages
- 11 are a copy of the actual notice of opposition.
- 12 Q And can you identify for me the goods that
- 13 Redi-Quick was seeking to register in connection with
- 14 the Smart Burrito trademark?
- 15 A Burritos.
- 16 Q Why did you oppose this application?
- 17 A We believed it was -- the likelihood to
- 18 cause confusion with our Smart Ones' registration,
- 19 smart followed by the generic term burrito, and also
- 20 because we have Mexican style type products in the
- 21 Smart Ones line including quesadillas and wraps.
- 22 Q Do you have a recollection as to whether or
- 23 not this matter resolved or not?
- 24 A It was resolved. I think it was settled
- 25 and they agreed to withdraw the application.

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	2	Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
	3	as Opposer's Exhibit 18, and please identify that for
	4	the record?
	5	(Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 18 was
	6	marked for identification.)
	7	A The first couple of pages are an
	8	electronic copy of the U.S. Patent and Trademark
	9	Office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic
	10	system regarding an opposition Heinz filed against
	11	Rich Products' trademark application for Smarter
	12	Choices, and the remaining pages are a copy of the
	13	actual notice of opposition.
	14	Q Could you tell me the goods that Rich
	15	Products was seeking to register in connection with
	16	the Smarter Choices trademark in this application?
IHL	17	A Prepared, frozen or refrigerated consisting
	18	primarily of shrimp and seafood, frozen or
	19	refrigerated shrimp and seafood.
	20	Q What about that description did you find
	21	potentially problematic?
	22	A We thought the mark itself was problematic
	23	when used in connection with goods that directly
	24	overlapped with our goods, which is frozen entrees.
•	25	Q Do you have a recollection as to whether or
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- 2 not this matter was resolved?
- 3 A It was, and I believe they agreed to
- 4 withdraw their application.
- 5 Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
- 6 as Exhibit 19, and please identify that for the
- 7 record?
- 8 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 19 was
- 9 marked for identification.)
- 10 A The first couple pages are an electronic
- 11 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 12 trademark trial and appeal board's electronic system
- 13 regarding an opposition filed by Heinz against New
- 14 World Pasta Company's trademark application for the
- 15 mark Smart Taste, and the remaining pages are the
- 16 actual notice of opposition.
- 17 Q Can you identify for me the goods that New
- 18 World Pasta was attempting to register in connection
- 19 with the Smart Taste trademark?
- 20 A Yes, pasta, sauce, prepared or packaged
- 21 meals consisting primarily of pasta and containing
- 22 sauce.
- 23 Q Did you deem all of the goods in that
- 24 description to be problematic or just some of them?
- 25 A Mainly just the prepared or packaged meals.

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- 3 not this opposition was resolved?
- 4 A It was.
- 5 Q Do you remember the terms for the
- 6 resolution?
- 7 A We entered into a settlement agreement. I
- 8 do not remember the exact terms, but they will be
- 9 included in that settlement agreement. I do believe
- 10 they agreed to remove the prepared or packaged meals
- 11 from the application.
- 12 Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
- 13 as Exhibit 20, and if you could, identify that for the
- 14 record, please?
- 15 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 20 was
- 16 marked for identification.)
- 17 A The first couple of pages are an electronic
- 18 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 19 trademark trial and appeal board's electronic system
- 20 regarding an opposition Heinz filed against
- 21 Cherrydale, C-h-e-r-r-y-d-a-l-e, Manufacturing's
- 22 application for SMARTON'S, S-M-A-R-T-O-N'S.
- 23 Q What were the goods that Cherrydale
- 24 Manufacturing were seeking to register in connection
- 25 with the SMARTON'S trademark?

- 1 SABRINA HUDSON 2 Chocolate based, ready to eat food bars, 3 grain based food bars, granola based snack bars, ready to eat cereal derived food bars, toaster pastries, chocolate and candy. 6 Q What was the basis for the opposition that SMARTON'S 5 HCZ Heinz filed against the SMARTON's trademark? 8 We were concerned of a likelihood of confusion, dilution with our Smart Ones mark, mainly because the marks are almost identical. 10 11 Do you recall how this matter was resolved, 12 if it was? 13 I believe they agreed to withdraw their 14 application. 15 Q Your understanding is that SMARTON'S never 16 registered?
 - 17 A That's correct.
 - 18 Let me show you what's been marked as
 - 19 Opposer's Exhibit 21. Please identify that for the
 - 20 record.
 - 21 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 21 was
 - 22 marked for identification.)
 - 23 A The first couple pages are an electronic
 - 24 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
 - trademark trial and appeal board's electronic system

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- 2 regarding an opposition Heinz filed against
- Jonmor, J-o-n-m-o-r, Investment's trademark
- application for the mark Smart Selections, and the
- remaining pages are a copy of the actual notice of 5
- opposition.
- 7 And what were the goods that Jonmor
- Investments was seeking to register in connection with
- this application?
- 10 Α Meat, processed meats, luncheon meats,
- 11 entrees and meals consisting primarily of meat,
- 12 poultry or vegetables.
- 13 What about the Smart Selections trademark
- 14 did you deem to be problematic?
- 15 Α We thought it was likely to be confused or
- 16 to dilute the rights in our Smart Ones mark mainly
- 17 because of the overlap of the goods, entrees and
- meals, but also because the similarity of the marks. 18
- 19 And do you have a recollection as to Q
- 20 whether or not this matter was resolved?
- 21 It was resolved, they agreed to withdraw
- 22 their application.
- 23 Let me hand you what's been marked as
- Exhibit 22. 24
- 25 Please identify that for the record.

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- 2 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 22 was
- 3 marked for identification.)
- 4 A The first couple of pages are an electronic
- 5 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 6 trademark trial and appeal board's electronic system
- 7 regarding an opposition that was filed by Heinz
- 8 against Unilever, U-n-i-l-e-v-e-r's application for
- 9 Smart Solutions, and the remaining pages are a copy of
- 10 the notice of opposition.
- 11 Q And can you identify for me the goods that
- 12 Unilever was seeking to register?
- 13 A Prepared or packaged side dishes, pasta or
- 14 rice for retail sale.
- 15 Q Do you recall whether or not Unilever ever
- 16 responded to the notice of opposition?
- 17 A I don't think they did.
- 18 Q As a result of that, do you know what
- 19 action the trademark trial and appeal board took?
- 20 A They withdrew the application or marked it
- 21 abandoned.
- 22 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 23 Exhibit 23.
- I would ask you to identify it for the
- 25 record, please.

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- 2 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 23 was
- 3 marked for identification.)
- 4 A The first couple pages are an electronic
- 5 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 6 trademark trial and appeal board's electronic system
- 7 regarding an opposition Heinz filed against Conagra
- 8 Foods' application for Smart Bowls, and the remaining
- 9 pages are a copy of the notice of opposition.
- 10 Q What were the goods that Conagra was
- 11 seeking to register in connection with the Smart Bowls
- 12 trademark?
- 13 A Frozen entrees consisting primarily of a
- 14 soy-based meat substitute and frozen entrees
- 15 consisting primarily of pasta or rice.
- 16 Q What about those goods did you deem to be
- 17 problematic?
- 18 A They directly overlap with our goods.
- 19 Q Do you have a recollection as to whether or
- 20 not the matter was resolved?
- 21 A Yes, I believe they agreed to withdraw
- 22 their application.
- 23 Q In connection with the opposition
- 24 proceedings filed by Heinz that we just dealt with
- 25 over the course of the last hour, were you involved in

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- 2 most of those proceedings?
- 3 A I believe so, yes.
- 4 Q Based upon the oppositions that were filed,
- 5 are you able to discern a theme in connection with the
- 6 basis for Heinz's objection to the registration for
- 7 the trademarks described in the prior exhibits?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q How would you describe that theme?
- 10 A Well, we first, as I mentioned, we analyze
- 11 the issue and look at the similarity of the marks, and
- 12 if the marks are almost identical, then even when the
- 13 goods may not directly overlap with ours, we generally
- 14 believe that that's too close and that there is a risk
- 15 of a likelihood of confusion and dilution.
- In those cases, we generally oppose. If
- 17 the marks are not identical or almost identical, then
- 18 we look at the goods, and when the goods are
- 19 identical, we -- the same thing, we believe that there
- 20 is a likelihood of confusion or dilution and we
- 21 generally oppose.
- Q With respect to the applicants and the
- 23 oppositions we just discussed, could some of them be
- 24 described as small entities or individuals?
- 25 A Yes.

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- 2 O Could some of them be described as medium
- 3 sized entities?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q And are some of them large corporations?
- 6 A Yes, Unilever, Conagra, Nestle.
- 7 Q And are those three companies that you just
- 8 described considered to be large multi-national
- 9 corporations?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And in negotiating the resolution of the
- 12 oppositions, was there a recognition by these
- 13 applicants that the use of the word "smart" in
- 14 connection with products that overlapped Heinz was
- 15 problematic or not?
- MS. WILBERT: Objection, foundation.
- 17 A I believe so, yes.
- 18 Q Why do you say that?
- 19 A Well, I think, you know, they -- when you
- 20 are entering into a settlement agreement, one thing
- 21 you look at is the other party's rights and whether or
- 22 not you -- they have prior rights and, you know, I
- 23 would think if the other party did not have rights or
- 24 you didn't believe they had good rights, that you
- 25 wouldn't have entered into a settlement agreement.

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- 2 Q Is this something that you do as a
- 3 consequence of your employment responsibilities is
- 4 evaluate another party's rights in determining what
- 5 you can and cannot do in connection with the
- 6 trademark?
- 7 A Yes. Part of my responsibilities is not
- 8 only doing that with oppositions, but doing that with,
- 9 you know, when we -- when the business people want to
- 10 use a mark, we do a trademark search.
- And as part of that, we review search
- 12 reports and we have to analyze, you know, is there
- 13 another mark that may object, and if they do object,
- 14 what is -- what are our arguments and what are the
- 15 strengths for those arguments.
- 16 Q Have there been occasions where you have
- 17 selected a trademark and then you subsequently decided
- 18 not to use that trademark because of another party's
- 19 objection?
- 20 A Yes.
- Q Okay. And did you make that assessment
- 22 based upon the strength of the other party's rights?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And in determining what the strengths of
- 25 the other party's rights were, what are some of the

1 SABRINA HUDSON 2 criteria you use in determining the strength of the 3 other party's rights? I think you look at the DuPont factors, the likelihood of confusion factors, you look at the 5 6 similarity of the marks, the similarity of the goods, the strength of the other party's marks, actual 7 confusion, similarity in marketing channels, NH 9 sophistication of the consumer's, are the goods 10 expensive or inexpensive. 11 Okay. Prior to your employment with Heinz, you practiced with a firm; correct? 12 13 A Yes. 14 What was the name of that firm? 15 It's now called K&L Gates. A 16 Q Your practice centered upon what type of 17 work? 18 A Primarily trademark work. 19 Subsequently when you started working for Q Heinz, you had responsibilities that involved what 20 21 type of work, primarily? 22 Α My primary responsibilities was handling 23 all, matters related to the company's global 24 trademarks.

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- 2 been working on trademark matters since the time you
- 3 got out of law school?
- 4 A Over 12.
- 5 Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
- 6 as Exhibit 24, and ask you if you can identify that
- 7 for the record?
- 8 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 24 was
- 9 marked for identification.)
- 10 A Yes. The first couple of pages are an
- 11 electronic printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark
- 12 office's trademark trial and appeal board's electronic
- 13 database regarding an opposition that was filed by GFA
- 14 Brands, Inc. against Radlo, R-a-d-l-o, Foods, its
- 15 trademark application for the mark Smart Goodness, and
- 16 the remaining pages are the actual copy of the actual
- 17 notice of opposition.
- 18 Q What were the goods that Radlo Foods was
- 19 seeking to register in connection with the Smart
- 20 Goodness trademark?
- 21 A Eggs, milk, milk products excluding ice
- 22 cream, ices, milk and frozen yogurt, egg substitute,
- 23 processed food products, namely soy oils.
- Q Okay. And the opposer in this opposition
- 25 proceeding is who?

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- 2 A GFA Brands, Inc.
- 3 Q Is that the same company that's the
- 4 applicant in the current proceeding that you're
- 5 involved in?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And what action did GFA take with respect
- 8 to the Smart Goodness application?
- 9 MS. WILBERT: Objection, foundation.
- 10 A They opposed it.
- 11 Q Having reviewed the notice of opposition,
- 12 are you able to discern the basis for GFA's opposition
- 13 for the Smart Goodness application?
- 14 A They are claiming priority and likelihood
- 15 of confusion.
- 16 O Confusion with what trademark?
- 17 A Their Smart Balance trademark.
- 18 Q What are the similarities between the Smart
- 19 Goodness trademark and Smart Balance trademark that
- 20 GFA was concerned about with respect to the trademarks
- 21 themselves?
- MS. WILBERT: Objection, foundation.
- 23 A The trademarks, they both start with the
- 24 word "smart".
- 25 Q Does it appear to you that there is an

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- 2 overlap between the goods in this application and the
- 3 goods that GFA uses the Smart Balance trademark in
- 4 connection with?
- 5 MS. WILBERT: Objection, foundation.
- 6 A Yes. The applicant filed for soy oils, and
- 7 GFA, it appears their registrations cover shortening,
- 8 low fat and non-fat shortening and vegetable oils.
- 9 Also, they have a registration, actually it
- 10 looks like at the time it was an application for Smart
- 11 Balance for milk, egg substitute, and those are goods
- 12 covered by this application.
- And they also have what appears to be an
- 14 application for eggs.
- 15 Q Okay. Generally, as an experienced
- 16 trademark attorney, what do you see overall as the
- 17 basis for GFA's opposition for the trademark?
- 18 A Likelihood of confusion based primarily on
- 19 the similarity of goods and the similarity of marks.
- 20 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 21 Exhibit 25 and ask you to look through that document
- 22 for me, please.
- 23 Can you describe what it is for the record?
- 24 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 25 was
- 25 marked for identification.)

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- 2 A Yes. The first page is an electronic
- 3 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 4 trademark trial and appeal board's system regarding an
- 5 opposition that GFA Brands, Inc. filed against Healthy
- 6 Delight Foods' trademark application for Smart, the at
- 7 symbol, Heart, H-e-a-r-t, and the remaining pages are
- 8 a copy of the notice of opposition.
- 9 Q And are you able to tell from this document
- 10 what goods Healthy Delight Foods was seeking to
- 11 register in connection with the Smart@Heart trademark?
- 12 A Mayonnaise.
- 13 Q Are you able to discern based upon these
- 14 documents what the basis was for GFA's opposition of
- 15 the Smart@Heart trademark?
- 16 A Yes, GFA is claiming for grounds of
- 17 opposition priority and likelihood of confusion.
- 18 Q And what are the issues with the
- 19 Smart@Heart trademark that GFA deemed to be
- 20 problematic with respect to the trademark?
- 21 A Well, looking at the two marks, they both
- 22 begin with "smart" and the application was filed for
- 23 mayonnaise, and the opposition GFA cites and a
- 24 registration that they own that covers mayonnaise, low
- 25 fat and non-fat mayonnaise substitute, mayonnaise

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- 2 style dressings and salad dressings.
- 3 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 4 Opposer Exhibit 26, and tell me if you can identify
- 5 what that is for the record?
- 6 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 26 was
- 7 marked for identification.)
- 8 A Yes. The first two pages are an electronic
- 9 printout from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
- 10 trademark trial and appeal board's electronic system
- 11 regarding an opposition that GFA Brands, Inc. filed
- 12 against Conagra Foods' trademark application for
- 13 Smartcakes!, one word, with an exclamation point, and
- 14 the remaining pages are a copy of the notice of
- 15 opposition.
- 16 Q Conagra Foods, is that an entity that Heinz
- 17 has been involved in trademark oppositions with
- 18 before?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q Can you tell me what trademark Heinz was
- 21 asserting in connection with those oppositions?
- 22 A Smart Ones.
- 23 Q And was the basis -- what was the basis for
- 24 the assertion of the opposition against Conagra in
- 25 those matters?

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	2	A In Heinz's Smart Ones matter, the
	3	likelihood of confusion and I believe I would have
	4	to look back, but I believe it may be dilution, as
	5	well.
	6	Q Could you tell me the goods that Conagra
	7	was seeking to register in connection with the
	8	Smartcakes! registration?
	9	A Ready to eat popcorn products, namely
	10	popped popcorn, popcorn cakes and popcorn balls.
	11	Q And what action did GFA Brands take with
	12	respect to the Conagra application?
	13	A They filed an opposition, and they are
	14	asserting as grounds for that opposition priority and
HU	15	likelihood for confusion.
	16	Q Based upon your reading for the notice of
	17	opposition, what was the basis for the opposition?
	18	What were the reasons for the opposition?
	19	A I think they are claiming likelihood of
	20	confusion with their Smart Balance mark based on the
	21	similarity of the marks, both contain "smart", and the
	22	overlap of the goods.
	23	GFA Brands owns a U.S. registration for the
	24	mark Smart Balance for popped and processed popcorn.
	25	O Let me hand you what's hear marked as

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- 2 Exhibit 27, and ask you to please identify what that
- 3 is for the record?
- 4 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 27 was
- 5 marked for identification.)
- 6 A The first page is an electronic printout
- 7 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 8 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 9 an opposition that GFA Brands, Inc. filed against
- 10 Conagra Brands, Inc.'s trademark application for Smart
- 11 Chili.
- 12 The second page appears to be a letter that
- 13 counsel for GFA Brands sent to the trademark trial and
- 14 appeal board with the notice of opposition, and the
- 15 remaining pages are a copy of the notice of
- 16 opposition.
- 17 Q What were the goods that Conagra was
- 18 seeking to register in connection with Smart Chili;
- 19 can you tell?
- 20 A Vegetable based meat substitutes and frozen
- 21 entrees containing vegetable based meat substitutes.
- 22 Q And are you able to discern from the notice
- 23 of opposition what trademark registrations that GFA
- 24 was asserting against Conagra brands in this
- 25 opposition?

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- 2 A Yes, they have several ones that they
- 3 identify.
- 4 Q What are the trademarks?
- 5 A Smart Balance, Smart Oil, Smart Cow, Smart
- 6 Spread, Smart Squeeze, Smart Beat, B-e-a-t, Smart
- 7 Slices, Smart Mayo, Smart Balance Omega.
- 8 Q And with respect to those registrations
- 9 that GFA was asserting in this opposition, what do
- 10 they have in common?
- 11 A They all begin with "smart".
- 12 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 13 Exhibit 28, and ask you to identify that for the
- 14 record, please?
- 15 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 28 was
- 16 marked for identification.)
- 17 A The first page is an electronic printout
- 18 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 19 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 20 an opposition that GFA Brands, Inc. filed against
- 21 Ripon, R-i-p-o-n, Foods' application for the mark
- 22 Smart Bake, and the remaining pages seem to be copies
- 23 of the notice of opposition.
- Q And I apologize, at least my exhibit
- 25 appears to be somewhat cropped at the end, I don't

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- 2 have a clear copy of the notice of opposition; do you?
- 3 A No, I just have the -- it's cropped a
- 4 little bit. I think on the left-hand side, although,
- 5 it may be complete.
- 6 Q Let me ask you to turn to the last page of
- 7 the exhibit. And are you able to discern what Ripon
- 8 Foods they were seeking to register in connection with
- 9 Smart Bake?
- 10 A Cookies.
- 11 Q What action did GFA take with respect to
- 12 Ripon's application to register Smart Bake in
- 13 connection with cookies?
- 14 A They opposed.
- Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
- 16 as Exhibit 29, and ask you to identify that for the
- 17 record.
- 18 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 29 was
- 19 marked for identification.)
- 20 A The first page is an electronic copy from
- 21 the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark trial
- 22 and appeal board's electronic system regarding an
- 23 opposition that Fitness Foods, Inc. and GFA Brands
- 24 filed against Conagra Brands' trademark application
- 25 for the mark Smart Nuggets, and the remaining pages

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- 2 appear to be the notice of opposition and the letter
- 3 from -- of a cover letter from counsel to the
- 4 trademark office enclosing the notice of opposition.
- 5 Q Let me direct your attention to paragraph
- 6 11. Are you able to discern what goods Conagra was
- 7 seeking to register in connection with the Smart
- 8 Nuggets trademark?
- 9 A Soy based products used as meat substitute.
- 10 Q On the same page, are you able to discern
- 11 the trademarks that GFA was asserting against Conagra
- 12 as having seniority in?
- 13 A Yes, Smart Balance, Smart Oil, Smart Cow,
- 14 Smart Spread, Smart Squeeze, Smart Beat, Smart Slices
- 15 and Smart Mayo.
- 16 Q And what do those trademarks have in
- 17 common?
- 18 A They all begin with "smart".
- 19 Q Okay. And are you able to discern from
- 20 these papers what the basis was, as an experienced
- 21 trademark attorney, for GFA's opposition of the Smart
- 22 Nuggets trademark?
- 23 A They allege in paragraph 13 that Smart
- 24 Nuggets is similar to all of their trademarks we just
- 25 mentioned based probably on the use of the word

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- 2 "smart" and the overlap of the goods.
- 3 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 4 Exhibit 30 and ask you to identify that for the
- 5 record.
- 6 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 30 was
- 7 marked for identification.)
- 8 A The first page is an electronic printout
- 9 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 10 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 11 an opposition filed by Fitness Foods, Inc. and GFA
- 12 Brands, Inc. against Conagra Brands' trademark
- 13 application for the mark Smart Yogurt, and the
- 14 remaining pages appear to be a copy of the notice of
- 15 opposition and the cover letter from opposer's counsel
- 16 to the trademark office regarding the opposition.
- 17 Q Are you able to determine from these papers
- 18 what goods Conagra Brands was seeking to register in
- 19 connection with the Smart Yogurt trademark?
- 20 A Soy based food products used as yogurt
- 21 substitute.
- 22 Q And can you tell me what trademarks were
- 23 being asserted by GFA in connection with this
- 24 opposition proceeding against Conagra?
- 25 A Smart Balance, Smart Oil, Smart Cow, Smart

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- 2 Spread, Smart Squeeze, Smart Beat, Smart Slices, Smart
- 3 Mayo.
- 4 Q What if anything do those trademarks have
- 5 in common?
- 6 A They all begin with "smart".
- 7 Q Are you able to discern from these papers
- 8 what the basis was for GFA's opposition to the
- 9 registration with the Smart Yogurt trademark?
- 10 A Yes. In paragraph 13, they are alleging
- 11 that the mark Smart Yogurt is similar to the
- 12 trademarks of opposers we just mentioned.
- 13 Q Okay. Let me hand you what's been marked
- 14 as Exhibit 31 and ask you to identify that for the
- 15 record.
- 16 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 31 was
- marked for identification.)
- 18 A The first page is an electronic printout
- 19 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 20 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 21 an opposition that was filed by Fitness Foods, Inc.
- 22 and GFA Brands, Inc. against Conagra's Brands'
- 23 application for the mark Smart Lunch.
- 24 The remaining pages are a copy of the
- 25 notice of opposition and the cover letter from

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- 2 opposer's counsel to the trademark office enclosing
- 3 the notice of opposition.
- 4 Q Are you able to determine based upon the
- 5 notice of opposition what goods Conagra was seeking to
- 6 register in connection with the mark Smart Lunch?
- 7 A Lunch entrees consisting primarily of soy
- 8 based meat substitutes and soy based cheese
- 9 substitutes.
- 10 Q What marks were being asserted by GFA
- 11 Brands in this opposition against Conagra Brands
- 12 application for Smart Lunch?
- 13 A Smart Balance, Smart Oil, Smart Cow, Smart
- 14 Spread, Smart Squeeze, Smart Beat, Smart Slices, Smart
- 15 Mayo.
- 16 Q And what if anything do those trademarks
- 17 have in common?
- 18 A They begin with "smart".
- 19 Q Are you able to discern the basis for GFA's
- 20 opposition to the registration of the Smart Lunch
- 21 trademark in this document?
- 22 A Yes, in paragraph 13, they allege that the
- 23 Smart Lunch mark is confusingly similar to the
- 24 trademarks of opposers.
- 25 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as

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- 2 Exhibit 32 and ask you to identify that for the
- 3 record, please.
- 4 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 32 was
- 5 marked for identification.)
- 6 A The first page is an electronic printout
- 7 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark
- 8 trial and appeal board's electronic system regarding
- 9 an opposition that was filed by Fitness Foods, Inc.
- 10 and GFA Brands, Inc. against Conagra Brands' trademark
- 11 application for the mark Smart Pudding.
- The rest of the pages are a copy of the
- 13 notice of opposition along with counsel's cover letter
- 14 enclosing the notice of opposition to the trademark
- 15 office.
- 16 Q What were the goods Conagra was seeking to
- 17 register in connection with the Smart Pudding
- 18 trademark?
- 19 A Soy based food products used as pudding
- 20 substitute.
- 21 Q What were the trademarks that GFA was
- 22 asserting in the opposition against the registration
- 23 of that trademark?
- 24 A Smart Balance, Smart Oil, Smart Cow, Smart
- 25 Spread, Smart Squeeze, Smart Beat, Smart Slices, Smart

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- 2 Mayo.
- 3 Q What if anything do those trademarks have
- 4 in common?
- 5 A They begin with "smart".
- 6 Q Are you able to discern the basis for GFA's
- 7 objection to the registration of the Smart Pudding
- 8 trademark?
- 9 A Yes. In paragraph 13, GFA alleges that the
- 10 Smart Pudding mark is confusingly similar to the
- 11 trademarks of opposers.
- 12 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 13 Exhibit 33 and ask you if you can identify that for
- 14 the record, please.
- 15 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 33 was
- 16 marked for identification.)
- 17 A The first page is an electronic copy from
- 18 the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's trademark trial
- 19 and appeal board's electronic system regarding an
- 20 opposition Fitness Foods, Inc. and GFA Brands, Inc.
- 21 filed against an individual, Joseph Michael O'Neil's
- 22 trademark application for the mark Smart Juice, and
- 23 the remaining pages appear to be more documents from
- 24 the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's electronic
- 25 database.

*1	2	Q Are you able to determine from the second
	3	page of this document when the application was filed?
	4	A June 10th, 1999.
	5	Q From the first page, can you tell when was
	6	the filing date of the opposition?
	7	A June 28, 2001.
	8	Q And are you able to discern from these
	9	documents what the goods were that were being applied
	10	for in connection with Smart Juice?
	11	A Fruit juices.
	12	Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
	13	Exhibit 34 and ask you to identify this document for
	14	the record.
	15	(Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 34 was
	16	marked for identification.)
	17	A The document is pages electronic
	18	printouts from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
	19	trademark trial and appeal board's electronic systems
	20	regarding an opposition that Fitness Foods, Inc. and
HES	21	filed GFA Brands, Inc. file against Procter & Gamble's
	22	trademark application for the mark CookSmart, one
	23	word.
	24	Q Are you able to tell what the application
	25	filing date was for the CookSmart trademark?

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- 1 SABRINA HUDSON
- 2 A July 29th, 1999.
- 3 Q What was the filing date of the notice of
- 4 opposition by Fitness Foods and GFA Brands?
- 5 A March 2nd, 2000.
- 6 Q Are you able tell what the goods were that
- 7 were to be associated with the CookSmart trademark?
- 8 A Edible oil in liquid form.
- 9 Q Let me hand you what's been marked as
- 10 Exhibit 35.
- 11 (Thereupon, Opposer's Exhibit No. 35 was
- 12 marked for identification.)
- 13 A Okay.
- 14 Q And ask you if you have seen these
- 15 documents before?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Before I start questioning you about
- 18 Exhibit 35, let me ask you a few questions about the
- 19 GFA oppositions we have just discussed.
- 20 A Okay.
- 21 O You indicated that there was a theme
- 22 associated with the oppositions that Heinz has filed
- 23 in the past that involved the Smart Ones trademark?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q And what was that theme again?

- 1 SABRINA HUDSON
- 2 A When the marks are identical or almost
- 3 identical and when there is -- and/or when there is a
- 4 "smart" mark that's filed and there is an overlap of
- 5 the goods.
- 6 Q Okay. And based upon your review of the
- 7 GFA opposition papers, as an experienced trademark
- 8 attorney, can you discern a theme associated with the
- 9 oppositions GFA has filed against third parties?
- MS. WILBERT: Objection, foundation.
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q What theme would you believe is represented
- 13 there?
- 14 A They appear to file oppositions against a
- 15 lot of different marks that started or included
- 16 "smart", not only in connection with their product
- 17 categories but actually in connection with other
- 18 product categories.
- 19 Q Is that approach by GFA and the trademark
- 20 trial appeal board similar or dissimilar with the
- 21 approach that Heinz takes with respect to its Smart
- 22 Ones trademark?
- 23 A Dissimilar.
- 24 O How so?
- 25 A Well, as I said, they not only file for

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- 2 applications that have an overlap of goods, but other
- 3 products in the grocery store that are not directly
- 4 competing with their products.
- 5 Q As an experienced trademark attorney and
- 6 someone who does similar work for Heinz, does there
- 7 appear to be -- to be an attempt by GFA to keep third
- 8 parties from using "smart" in connection with food
- 9 products?
- 10 A To a certain extent, yes.
- 11 Q Upon what do you base that opinion?
- 12 A They opposed a lot of applications for
- 13 trademarks that included "smart" for a variety of
- 14 different goods.
- 15 Q Dating back to when, based upon the
- 16 oppositions we have looked at today?
- 17 A I believe in the late 90s.
- 18 Q Let me draw your attention to Exhibit 35.
- 19 Does Heinz consider the Smart Ones trademark to be a
- 20 valuable brand?
- 21 A Yes very much so.
- 22 Q Why?
- 23 A As I said, we have owned the brand for over
- 24 20 years, it's been one of our -- the products sold
- 25 under that brand have high sales. One of them, I

. . . .

- believe it's from a sales volume perspective, one of the top selling products in the entire category, the brands one of
 - 3 the top three of our U.S. food products, and just the
 - 4 equity that the brand carries and the connection it
 - 5 has with the health and wellness platform.
 - 6 Q How does consumer awareness of the Smart
 - 7 Ones brand compare to other Heinz brands?
 - 8 A I think it's at the very top. As I said, I
 - 9 think it's one of the top three of our most recognized
 - 10 brands in the U.S.
 - 11 Q Let me direct your attention to the first
 - 12 page of Exhibit 35. Are you able to tell me what
 - 13 publication this article appears to be from?
 - 14 A The Boston Globe.
 - 15 Q What actually is the first page of
 - 16 Exhibit 35?
 - 17 A It is an article dated February 14th, 2013
 - 18 regarding an announcement that Heinz is going to be
 - 19 purchased by Warren Buffett's investment firm
 - 20 Berkshire Hathaway and 3G Capital.
 - 21 Q What is the title of the article?
 - 22 A Buffett Part of Group to Buy Heinz in \$23
 - 23 billion deal.
 - Q Could you read into the record the first
 - 25 two paragraphs of the article?

- 1 SABRINA HUDSON
- 2 A "H.J. Heinz Company is being purchased by
- 3 an investment group including billionaire investor
- 4 Warren Buffett in a deal valued at \$23.3 billion. The
- 5 ketchup company says it's the largest deal ever in the
- 6 food industry. Heinz, based in Pittsburgh, also makes
- 7 Classico spaghetti sauces, Ore-Ida Potatoes and Smart
- 8 Ones frozen meals."
- 9 Q Do you have an opinion as to why those
- 10 three brands were specifically mentioned in the first
- 11 two paragraphs of the article?
- 12 A In addition to our Heinz brand, I would say
- 13 they are probably the top four in the U.S.
- 14 Q Let me direct your attention to the second
- 15 article, which starts on the fourth page of
- 16 Exhibit 35. Tell me if you can discern what
- 17 publication this article is from?
- 18 A It says SFGate.com, I believe that's the
- 19 San Francisco newspaper.
- Q And what is the title of the article?
- 21 A Warren Buffett Buying H.J. Heinz Company.
- 22 Q Do you see a paragraph beginning with Heinz
- 23 Brands just below the middle of the page?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Would you please read that paragraph for

- 1 SABRINA HUDSON
- 2 me?
- 3 A "Heinz's brands have power with shoppers
- 4 that takes years to create and have been able to raise
- 5 prices even in the highly competitive grocery business
- 6 says Brian Sozzi, chief equities analyst for NBG
- 7 Productions."
- 8 Q And do you regard that to be an accurate
- 9 statement?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q Why?
- 12 A Because, you know, we do have brands that
- 13 we have -- either ourselves have taken years to create
- 14 and develop through product innovation and marketing
- 15 and promoting those brands or have acquired strong
- 16 brands, we continue to innovate and promote those
- 17 brands, which allows us to be very competitive in the
- 18 marketplace.
- 19 Q Okay. Based upon your experience with
- 20 Heinz, how would you characterize the strength of the
- 21 Smart Ones trademark?
- 22 A I would say it's very strong.
- 23 Q Why?
- 24 A Again, it's one of our top three brands in
- 25 the U.S. Even though we are a global company, our

1 SABRINA HUDSON 2 largest business is our U.S. business, and it is one of our top three brands, probably not only in terms of 3 sales, but also volume and also market recognition 5 through our promotion and advertising program. 6 Q Are you familiar with the anti-dilution provisions of the Federal Lanham Act? 8 A Yes. 9 Are you familiar with the definition of 10 fame that's set forth in those provisions? 11 Α I am. 12 Based upon your understanding, do you 0 believe the Smart Ones trademark is famous? 13 14 MS. WILBERT: Objection, undisclosed 15 opinion testimony. 16 A I do. 17 0 Why? 18 If you look at the factors that the courts 19 have said and the statutes says you're supposed to 20 consider fame, I think the Smart Ones trademark meets a lot of those criteria. 21 22 One, it's been registered for a long time, it's been in use for over 20 years, that use has been 24 continuous and exclusive. The amount of advertising,

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this is probably in the U.S. one of our most

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- 2 advertised brands. Right now, we have not only print
- 3 advertising, in the past we have had TV advertising,
- 4 radio advertising and we are very involved in social
- 5 media right now.

with

- We have a website that has a community of a
 - 7 database of over 3 million consumers, we are on
 - 8 Facebook, we are on Pinterest, we also send monthly
 - 9 e-mails to everyone in our database.
 - 10 So it's a highly advertised brand, high
 - 11 volume of sales, again, and I think all of those
 - 12 factors support a finding of fame.
 - 13 Q When do you believe the Smart Ones
 - 14 trademark achieved this fame?
 - MS. WILBERT: Objection, undisclosed
 - 16 opinion testimony.
 - 17 A I think a few years ago. I think over the
- \$\frac{\hat{\lambda}}{\lambda}\$ last -- since I have been at Heinz, Heinz as made a
 - 19 real effort to not only increase the development of
 - 20 the Smart Ones brand, it used to be a No. 3 brand in
 - 21 the category and I think it was a distant 3, it's now
 - 22 a strong No. 2 brand. That is definitely a byproduct
 - 23 of our innovation and quality development of the
 - 24 products, but also a lot of advertising that we put
 - 25 forth.

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2	There was a huge advertising campaign I
3	think around 2003, 2004, TV advertising the woman in
4	red, we highly promoted the product back then. I
5	think all of that increased the well-known and fame
6	status of the brand.
7	Q What is the woman in red?
8	A It was a campaign , and I don't remember the
9	specifics because I wasn't at Heinz, I just remember
10	looking at historical documents since I have been at
11	Heinz. It was a TV advertising campaign, I think that
12	was also complimented with other types of advertising,
13	print and things that talked you know, there was a
SSH 14	woman in the add who was dressed in red and it was in
15	relation to our red packaging and things.
16	Q GFA filed its applications to register
17	Smart Balance in November 2009. Was the smart Ones
18	trademark famous before that date or after that date?
19	A I believe before.
20	MR. FRAELICH: No more questions.
21	MS. WILBERT: If we can maybe take a five
22	minute break and maybe switch chairs or
23	something.
24	MR. FRAELICH: Sure.
25	(Recess taken.)
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- 2 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 3 BY MS. WILBERT:
- 4 Q Hello. I am going to ask you a few
- 5 questions about the topics you covered in your direct
- 6 testimony.
- 7 You mentioned the DuPont factors when you
- 8 were testifying earlier today. Channels of trade is
- 9 one of the DuPont factors; correct?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And the Smart Ones brand is sold
- 12 nationwide; correct?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And it's generally sold in the frozen foods
- 15 section of super markets; correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q I have just handed you what's been marked
- 18 as GFA Exhibit 1. Could you please confirm for me
- 19 that it bears production Nos. Heinz013400 through
- 20 Heinz013503?
- 21 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 1 was
- 22 marked for identification.)
- 23 A Yes.
- MR. FRAELICH: Just to interrupt for a
- 25 second, at one time, some of these materials were

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2	considered to be confidential. This is prior to
3	the launch of the new packaging.
4	So it would be helpful if Sabrina could
5	indicate whether or not this portion of the
6	transcript and this document should still be
7	considered confidential if it's designated as
8	such on the Bates No. copies, I don't have strong
9	feelings either way, but let's do that before she
10	gets into too much testimony about the exhibit,
11	if it's possible.
12	A I would still designate the document
13	confidential. I may be able to still give testimony
14	on some things that are not confidential, and it's up
15	to you, I can identify them separately or we can treat
16	the whole thing as confidential.
17	Q I am fairly certain that my line of
18	questioning will not be confidential. So I would like
19	to give you the opportunity at the end to designated
20	if we need to, but let's keep the document, as you
21	suggested with it's designation, and keep the
22	testimony as a non-confidential?
23	A Okay.
24	Q Could you please turn to page Heinz103408?
25	A Okay.

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2	Q	Before I ask any questions about that page,
3	could you	please generally confirm that Exhibit 1 is a
4	document t	hat was produced by Heinz in the course of
5	this oppos	ition proceeding?
6	A	Yes.
7	Q	And that this is a document titled Heinz
8	2011 Focus	Stellar Execution?
9	A	Yes.
10	Q	Does page Heinz013408 accurately identify
11	some of the	e super markets in which products bearing
12	the Smart	Ones marks are sold?
13	A	To my knowledge, yes.
14	Q	So to your knowledge, Heinz sells products
15	bearing the	e Smart Ones marks at Kroger's?
16	A	Yes.
17	Q	And continuing, for example, Heinz sells
18	products be	earing the Smart Ones trademark at Publix?
19	A	Yes.
20	Q	Could you please turn to Heinz013409?
21	A	Okay.
22	Q	Does Heinz, in fact, sell products bearing
23	the Smart (Ones trademark at Safeway?
DH 24	A	I don't believe so.
25	Q	Does Heinz sell products bearing the Smart
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- 2 Ones trademark at SUPERVALU?
- 3 A I believe so, but I am not certain.
- 4 Q Given that SUPERVALU is included in this
- 5 document, do you have any reason to believe that Smart
- 6 Ones is not a product that is sold at SUPERVALU?
- 7 A Not at the time this document was created,
- 8 I don't know about currently though. I don't have any
- 9 reason to believe that we don't sell Smart Ones at
- 10 SUPERVALU.
- 11 Q Does Heinz sell product bearing the Smart
- 12 Ones trademark at Wal-Mart?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Okay. And Heinz sells products bearing the
- 15 Smart Ones trademark at a variety of stores that are
- 16 not included in this exhibit?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q So for example, Heinz sells Smart Ones
- 19 products at Costco, for example?
- 20 A I believe we have a small amount of sales
- 21 at Costco, but I do believe so, yes.
- 22 Q And Heinz sells products bearing the Smart
- 23 Ones trademark at Ahold?
- 24 A I don't know.
- Q Do you know whether Heinz sells the Smart

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- 2 Ones products at Wakefern?
- 3 A I don't know.
- 4 Q Generally, you would agree though that
- 5 Heinz sells products bearing the Smart Ones trademark
- 6 in mass market stores such as Wal-Mart and Super
- 7 Target?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q And also sells in club stores such as
- 10 Costco?
- 11 A I believe so, although I believe the sales
- 12 in club are very small.
- 13 Q And that the majority of its sales are
- 14 primarily through grocery stores, including chain
- 15 stores; correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And Smart Ones has been sold in all of
- 18 these stores nationally for over ten years; correct?
- 19 A Definitely, yes.
- 20 Q During your testimony earlier today you
- 21 mentioned SKUs as well as some general product
- 22 descriptions. I would like to talk to you for a few
- 23 minutes about the types of products sold under the
- 24 Smart Ones marks; are you familiar with the Heinz
- 25 eatyourbest.com website?

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- 2 A I am.
- 3 Q I have handed you what's been marked as GFA
- 4 Exhibit 2. Can you please confirm that this appears
- 5 to be an accurate printout from the Heinz website?
- 6 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 2 was
- 7 marked for identification.)
- 8 A Yeah, it appears to be.
- 9 O And does Heinz sell under the Smart Ones
- 10 trademark products under the Classic Favorites
- 11 category that's shown here?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q And do those products include pasta based
- 14 products?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Do those products include any cream sauces?
- 17 A Yes, I think so.
- 18 Q I have handed you what's been marked as
- 19 Exhibit GFA-3. Can you please confirm that this
- 20 appears to be a printout from the Heinz website
- 21 listing the Classic Favorite products that bear the
- 22 Smart Ones trademark?
- 23 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 3 was
- 24 marked for identification.)
- 25 A Yes.

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- 2 Q Is this an accurate list of the products
- 3 sold under the Smart Ones trademark?
- 4 A It contains some of them. I would have to
- 5 check with our business or actually do a review to
- 6 make sure it contains all of them, but yes, these are
- 7 products we do sell. I don't know if it's an
- 8 exhaustive list or not.
- 9 Q Would the website be an accurate way to
- 10 determine some of the products that are sold under the
- 11 Smart Ones trademark?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Would the descriptions on the website be a
- 14 general description of the type of product?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q For example, No. 7, Creamy -- I am not
- 17 going to say it right, the broccoli and chicken is
- 18 described as being served in a creamy parmesan sauce;
- 19 is that an accurate description of that product?
- 20 A I am sorry, which one are you looking at?
- 21 Q No. 6 down.
- 22 A And can you repeat your question, please?
- 23 Q It says the product description is a medley
- 24 of pasta, broccoli florets and white meat chicken in a
- 25 creamy parmesan sauce; is that an accurate description

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- 2 of that product?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Does GFA sell -- what does Heinz -- what
- 5 types of products does Heinz sell in the Smart
- 6 Delights category?
- 7 A Those are mostly our frozen desserts.
- 8 Q Do those frozen desserts contain dairy?
- 9 A Yes, they contain ice cream.
- 10 Q What types of products does Heinz sell
- 11 using the Smart Ones trademark in the Smart Beginnings
- 12 category?
- 13 A What you would consider mostly breakfast
- 14 items.
- 15 O Do the breakfast items that Heinz sell
- 16 bearing the Smart Ones trademark contain eggs?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Earlier today, you testified that you are
- 19 not aware of any confusion between the products sold
- 20 bearing the Smart Ones mark and the products sold
- 21 bearing the Smart Balance mark; is that correct?
- 22 A That's correct.
- 23 Q Are you aware -- so you're not aware of any
- 24 confusion between the Smart Ones breakfast items and
- 25 the Smart Balance egg products; correct?

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- 2 A Correct.
- 3 Q And you're not aware of any actual
- 4 confusion between the Smart Ones ice cream products
- 5 and the Smart Balance dairy products; correct?
- 6 A I wouldn't classify them as ice cream.
- 7 Q So you're not aware of any actual confusion
- 8 between the Smart Ones frozen desserts containing ice
- 9 cream and any of the Smart Balance milk products?
- 10 A I am not aware of any.
- 11 Q Are you aware of any confusion between the
- 12 Smart Ones products and the Smart Balance popcorn
- 13 products?
- 14 A No.
- 15 Q Are you aware of any confusion between the
- 16 Smart Ones products and the Smart Balance products for
- 17 oil?
- 18 A No.
- 19 Q Are you aware of any confusion between the
- 20 Smart Ones products and the Smart Balance buttery
- 21 spreads?
- 22 A No.
- 23 Q I have just handed you Exhibit GFA-4. Can
- 24 you please confirm that this is a picture of a Prego
- 25 HeartSmart roasted red pepper and garlic sauce?

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- 2 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 4 was
- 3 marked for identification.)
- 4 A Yes, it appears to be.
- 5 Q You're not aware of any instances of actual
- 6 confusion between any of the Smart Ones products and
- 7 the Prego HeartSmart sauce; are you?
- 8 A No.
- 9 Q The court reporter has just handed you
- 10 what's been marked as Exhibit GFA-5. Can you please
- 11 confirm that Exhibit GFA-5 is an image of a product
- 12 wrapper for Smart Gels?
- 13 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 5 was
- 14 marked for identification.)
- 15 A It appears so, but I have never seen this
- 16 before or the packaging before.
- 17 Q Are you aware of any instances of actual
- 18 confusion between any of the Smart Ones products and
- 19 Smart Gels as pictured in Exhibit 5?
- 20 A No.
- 21 Q The court reporter has just handed you
- 22 what's been marked as GFA Exhibit 6.
- Can you please confirm that GFA Exhibit 6
- 24 is a photograph of the product package for Breyers
- 25 Carb Smart?

2	(Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit
3	marked for identification.)

- 4 A It appears so, yes.
- 5 Q And the product pictured is an ice cream

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- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Are you aware of any instances of actual
- 9 confusion between products bearing the Smart Ones
- 10 marks and the Breyers Carb Smart product?
- 11 A No.
- 12 Q I have just handed you what's been marked
- 13 as GFA Exhibit 7. Can you please confirm that
- 14 Exhibit 7 is a photograph of Smart Taste Pasta?
- 15 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 7 was
- 16 marked for identification.)
- 17 A Yes, Ronzoni Smart Taste pasta.
- 18 Q Are you aware of any instances of actual
- 19 confusion between any products bearing the Smart Ones
- 20 trademark and Ronzoni's Smart Taste pasta?
- 21 A No.
- 22 Q Can you please confirm that GFA Exhibit 8
- 23 is a photograph of Smart Water?
- 24 (Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 8 was
- 25 marked for identification.)

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	2	A Yes, Glaceau Smart Water.
	3	Q Are you aware of any instances of actual
	4	confusion between Glaceau Smart Water and any of the
	5	Smart Ones products?
	6	A No.
	7	Q Are you aware of any instance of actual
	8	confusion between any products bearing the Smart Ones
	9	trademark and Kellogg's Smart Start cereal?
	10	A No.
	11	Q Who is Ms. Findlay?
	12	A She is an employee of Heinz, and she has
148	13	been with a company for a very long time. I know she
	14	was around when Smart Ones was introduced. I don't
	15	know how long she was around before that, so I don't
	16	know when she started with the company.
	17	She has been involved with the Smart Ones
	18	part of the business pretty much I think the entire has transitioned
724	19	time. Her role is transitional a little bit now and
	20	she is more involved with some of our other licensing
	21	relationships.
	22	Q Is Ms. Findlay somebody who would have an
	23	accurate history and understanding of the Smart Ones
	24	brand?
	25	A Yes.

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- 2 Q Would she have an accurate history and
- 3 understanding of the connotations that Heinz intends
- 4 to convey with the Smart Ones brand?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q And she is not designated to testify today
- 7 because I believe her position has transitioned; what
- 8 is her new position?
- 9 A I don't know the exact title, but she has
- 10 less of a role on Smart Ones now and more on some of
- 11 our other licensing relationships. We license a
- 12 T.G.I. Friday's brand, and I know that she is involved
- 13 in that relationship. And she has other
- 14 responsibilities, I am not a hundred percent accurate
- 15 what those are.
- 16 Q But in January of 2012, Ms. Findlay was
- 17 active in the Smart Ones brand; correct?
- 18 A She is still active today, just not as big
- 19 a role as she was at that time.
- 20 Q Balance and Ones are different words;
- 21 correct?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Balance and Ones look different; correct?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Balance and Ones sound different; correct?

- 1 SABRINA HUDSON
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q Balance and Ones have different meanings in
- 4 the dictionary; correct?
- 5 A I haven't looked in the dictionary to tell,
- 6 but possibly. I don't even know if Ones is in the
- 7 dictionary.
- 8 Q As we discussed, you're an attorney with
- 9 experience in trademark matters, and you have some
- 10 experience in trademark oppositions; correct?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q You understand that a party has an
- 13 obligation to disclose expert witnesses by a certain
- 14 date in the proceedings; correct?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And you were not disclosed as an expert;
- 17 correct?
- 18 A Not to my knowledge, no.
- 19 Q And you are here today to provide factual
- 20 testimony; correct?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q You are not an expert in this matter;
- 23 correct?
- MR. FRAELICH: Objection.
- 25 A Not a designated expert. I think I have a

- 1 very strong knowledge of trademark law, I may be
- 2 tooting my own horn to call myself an expert, but I
- 3 think I have expertise in this area.
- 4 Q You did not prepare an expert disclosure?
- 5 A That's correct.
- 6 Q And your lawyers have not prepared an
- 7 expert disclosure on your behalf?
- 8 A That's correct.
- 9 Q And you have not disclosed to us the sum
- 10 total of any opinions you have about this case; have
- 11 you?
- 12 A No, not except my testimony today.
- 13 Q Okay.
- MS. WILBERT: Off the record.
- MR. FRAELICH: She will read.
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- 17 (Thereupon, at 11:14 o'clock a.m., the
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1	SABRINA HUDSON
2	CERTIFICATE
3	COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,)
4	COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY.) SS:
5	I, Jenna Nicole Freund, do hereby certify that before me, a Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth
6	aforesaid, personally appeared SABRINA HUDSON, who then was by me first duly cautioned and sworn to
7	testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth in the taking of her oral deposition in the
8	cause aforesaid; that the testimony then given by her as above set forth was by me reduced to stenotypy in
9 10	the presence of said witness, and afterwards transcribed by means of computer-aided transcription.
11	I do further certify that this deposition was taken at the time and place in the foregoing caption specified, and was completed without adjournment.
12	I do further certify that I am not a relative, counsel or attorney of either party, or otherwise interested in the event of this action.
14 15 16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on this 5 day of $March$, 2013.
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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Opposers,

VS.

GFA BRANDS, INC.,

Applicant.

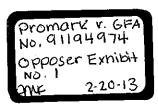
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 2.123 of the Trademark Rules of Practice and Rules 28 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Opposers, ProMark Brands Inc. and H. J. Heinz Company, will take the testimony deposition upon oral examination of Sabrina Hudson, on Wednesday, February 20, 2013, commencing at 9:00 AM at the offices of Jones Day, 500 Grant Street, Suite 4500, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219, or at such other time and place as the parties may agree or the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board may order. The deposition will be taken before an officer authorized to administer oaths and may be recorded by audio, audiovisual, and/or stenographic means. The deposition will continue from day to day until concluded, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excepted. The testimony so obtained



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Prior U.S. Cl.: 46

Reg. No. 1,911,590

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TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

SMART ONES

WEIGHT WATCHERS INTERNATIONAL, INC. (VIRGINIA CORPORATION)
500 NORTH BROADWAY JERICHO, NY 11753

FOR: FROZEN ENTREES CONSISTING PRIMARILY OF CHICKEN, BEEF, FISH AND/OR VEGETABLES, IN CLASS 29 (U.S. CL. 46).
FIRST USE 5-1-1992; IN COMMERCE 5-1-1992.

FOR: FROZEN ENTREES CONSISTING PRI-MARILY OF PASTA AND/OR RICE ALONE OR IN COMBINATION WITH OTHER FOODS, IN CLASS 30 (U.S. CL. 46).
FIRST USE 5-1-1992; IN COMMERCE 5-1-1992.

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1. H. J. HEINZ COMPANY

Address:

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Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Pennsylvania

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 029 Class Status: Active Latest Status Info Page 2 of 3

frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 1992-05-01

First Use in Commerce Date: 1992-05-01

International Class: 030 Class Status: Active

frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 1992-05-01

First Use in Commerce Date: 1992-05-01

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

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Prior U.S. Cl.: 46

Reg. No. 2,204,080

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Registered Nov. 17, 1998

TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

SMART ONES

WEIGHT WATCHERS INTERNATIONAL, INC. (VIRGINIA CORPORATION) 175 CROSSWAYS PARK WEST WOODBURY, NY 11797

FOR: FROZEN DESSERTS CONSISTING OF MILK BASED OR MILK SUBSTITUTE BASED DESSERTS, CAKES, PIES AND MOUSSES, IN CLASS 30 (U.S. CL. 46).

FIRST USE 11-3-1997; IN COMMERCE 11-3-1997.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 1,871,763 AND 1,911,590.

SER. NO. 75-415,119, FILED 1-8-1998.

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Date of Status: 2008-10-08

Filing Date: 1998-01-08

Transformed into a National Application: No

Registration Date: 1998-11-17

Register: Principal

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Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Pennsylvania

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 030 Class Status: Active

Latest Status Info Page 2 of 3

Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 1997-11-03

First Use in Commerce Date: 1997-11-03

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Prior Registration Number(s):

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2004-04-22 - Section 8 (6-year) and Section 15 Filed

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SMART ONES

PROMARK BRANDS INC. (IDAHO CORPORATION)

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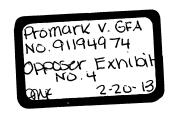
FOR: PIZZA, IN CLASS 30 (U.S. CL. 46).

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OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 1,911,590 AND 2,204,080.

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FIRST USE 11-30-1997; IN COMMERCE 11-30-1997. AMY GEARIN, EXAMINING ATTORNEY



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PITTSBURGH, PA 15222

United States

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Pennsylvania

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 030 Class Status: Active

Pizza **Basis:** 1(a)

First Use Date: 1997-11-30

First Use in Commerce Date: 1997-11-30

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Prior Registration Number(s):

1911590 2204080

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United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 2,916,539 Registered Jan. 4, 2005

TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

SMART ONES

PROMARK BRANDS INC. (IDAHO CORPORA-TION) 877 WEST MAIN STREET, SUITE 604 BOISE, ID 83702

FOR: PRE-COOKED READY-TO-EAT FROZEN BREAD OR WRAP HAVING A MEAT AND/OR VEGETABLE FILLING WITH OR WITHOUT CHEESE, IN CLASS 30 (U.S. CL. 46).

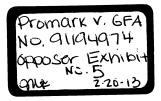
FIRST USE 4-1-2001; IN COMMERCE 4-1-2001.

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1. H. J. HEINZ COMPANY

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PITTSBURGH, PA 15222

United States

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Pennsylvania

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 030 Class Status: Active

Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without

cheese
Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2001-04-01

First Use in Commerce Date: 2001-04-01

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United States Patent and Trademark Office

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TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

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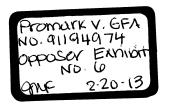
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(words only): SMART ONES

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United States

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Pennsylvania

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 030 Class Status: Active

Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 1997-12-31

First Use in Commerce Date: 1997-12-31

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Prior Registration Number(s):

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Opposition

Number: 91194974

Filing Date: 05/20/2010

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Status Date: 05/20/2010

Interlocutory Attorney: CHERYL A BUTLER

Defendant

Name: GFA Brands, Inc.

Correspondence: MARTA LEVINE

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Serial #: 77864305

Application File

Application Status: Opposition Pending

Mark: SMART BALANCE

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Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

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Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

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Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77368176

Application File

Registration #: 3462182

Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	PROMARK BRANDS INC.			
Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	Idaho	
Address	2541 North Stokesberry Place Suite 100 Meridian, ID 83642 UNITED STATES			

Attorney information	Timothy P. Fraelich JONES DAY 901 Lakeside Avenue Cleveland, OH 44114 UNITED STATES tfraelich@jonesday.com, jwalworth@jonesday.com, pcyngier@jonesday.com Phone:216-586-1247
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Applicant Information

Application No	77864305	Publication date	04/20/2010
Opposition Filing Date	05/20/2010	Opposition Period Ends	05/20/2010
Applicant	GFA Brands, Inc. Suite 260 115 W. Century Ro Paramus, NJ 07652 UNITED STATES	i .	

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Frozen appetizers primarily containing poultry, meat, seafood or vegetables; frozen entrees primarily containing poultry, meat, seafood or vegetables

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta or rice

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)	
Dilution	Trademark Act section 43(c)	

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority	NONE

		Date	
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029, First use: First Use	e: 1992/05/01 First U	se In Commerce: 1992/05/01
	frozen entrees consisting prim	narily of chicken, bee	f, fish and/or vegetables
	Class 030. First use: First Use		
	frozen entrees consisting prim with other foods	narily of pasta and/or	rice alone or in combination
U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services			se In Commerce: 1997/11/03
	Frozen desserts consisting of cakes, pies and mousses	milk based or milk s	ubstitute based desserts,
U.S. Registration	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
No.			
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese		
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
	SMART ONES
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMAI	RT C	NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use	se: 1997/12/31 First U	Jse In Commerce: 1997/12/31
	Frozen foods, namely, break	fast sandwiches and	muffins

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Signature	/Timothy P. Fraelich/
Name	Timothy P. Fraelich

Date	05/20/2010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/864,305
For the Mark SMART BALANCE
Published in the Official Gazette on April 20, 2010

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

Opposition No. _____

v.

GFA BRANDS, INC.,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, ID 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART BALANCE ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 77/864,305 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.

2. To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is GFA Brands, Inc. ("Applicant"), 115 W. Century Rd., Suite 260, Paramus, NJ 07652, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

The Application

- 3. Applicant filed the Application on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMART BALANCE to identify:
 - a. Frozen appetizers primarily containing poultry, meat, seafood or vegetables; frozen entrees primarily containing poultry, meat, seafood or vegetables in International Class 29; and
 - b. Frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta or rice in International Class 30.
 - 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on April 20, 2010.
 - 5. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of May 20, 2010.

Opposer's Registered Marks

6. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 - Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 – Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 - Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and
			muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

7. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company
	(recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.
	(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);
Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company
	(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.
	(recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

Opposer's Use Of Its Famous Marks

- 8. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 9. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 10. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.

- 11. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 12. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 13. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 15. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/864,305, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE will be used are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels of trade.

- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 20. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

Applicant Has Essentially Admitted That Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 21. In numerous proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board,
 Applicant has challenged applications arguing that its registrations and applications for "smart" related marks that predate other "smart" related marks should bar registration.
- 22. Specifically, Applicant has argued that permitting other "smart" marks to register would interfere with its use of its marks and would seriously damage Applicant.
- 23. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark. Further, Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous before Applicant filed the Application. Thus, based upon Applicant's own admissions, as set forth in multiple pleadings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, in this instance, permitting Applicant's Mark to register would interfere with Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks and would seriously damage Opposer.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 24. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-23 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 25. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced

nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

26. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 27. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-26 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 28. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 29. Applicant filed the Application for SMART BALANCE after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 30. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/864,305 be rejected in its entirety on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no

registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 20th day of May, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

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Filing Date: 09/02/2010

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Correspondence: MARTA LEVINE

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Serial #: <u>77864268</u>

Application File

Application Status: Opposition Pending

Mark: SMART BALANCE

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Name: ProMark Brands Inc.

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Mark: SMART ONES

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Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011 Application File Registration #: 2916539

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Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.			
Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	Idaho	
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Attorney information	Timothy P. Fraelich JONES DAY 901 Lakeside Avenue Cleveland, OH 44114 UNITED STATES tfraelich@jonesday.com, jwalworth@jonesday.com, pcyngier@jonesday.com
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Applicant Information

Application No	77864268	Publication date	08/10/2010
Opposition Filing Date	09/02/2010	Opposition Period Ends	09/09/2010
Applicant	GFA Brands, Inc. 115 W. Century Rd. Suite 20 Paramus, NJ 07652 UNITED STATES	60	

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: soy chips and yucca chips; snack mixes consisting primarily of processed fruits, processed nuts, raisins and/or seeds; nut and seed-based snack bars

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: cake mix, frosting, cakes, frozen cakes, cookies, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, bread, rolls, crackers, pretzels, corn chips, snack mixes consisting primarily of crackers, pretzels, nuts and/or popped popcorn, spices, granola-based snack bars; pita chips

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Transference Antonomics O(d)
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Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
No.			

Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use frozen entrees consisting prim Class 030. First use: First Use frozen entrees consisting prim with other foods	narily of chicken, bee e: 1992/05/01 First U	f, fish and/or vegetables se In Commerce: 1992/05/01
U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use Frozen desserts consisting of cakes, pies and mousses		se In Commerce: 1997/11/03 ubstitute based desserts,
U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMART O	ves	
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use Pre-cooked ready-to-eat froze filling with or without cheese	- · · · · ·	se In Commerce: 2001/04/01 ing a meat and/or vegetable
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
	SMART ONES
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services		st Use: 1997/12/31 First U reakfast sandwiches and	Jse In Commerce: 1997/12/31 muffins

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/864,268
For the Mark SMART BALANCE
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PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

Opposition No.

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GFA BRANDS, INC.,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

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 To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is GFA Brands, Inc. ("Applicant"), 115 W. Century Rd., Suite 260, Paramus, NJ 07652, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

The Application

- 3. Applicant filed the Application on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMART BALANCE to identify:
 - a. soy chips and yucca chips; snack mixes consisting primarily of processed fruits, processed nuts, raisins and/or seeds; nut and seed-based snack bars in International Class 29; and
 - b. cake mix, frosting, cakes, frozen cakes, cookies, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, bread, rolls, crackers, pretzels, corn chips, snack mixes consisting primarily of crackers, pretzels, nuts and/or popped popcorn, spices, granola-based snack bars; pita chips in International Class 30.
 - 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on August 10, 2010.
 - 5. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of September 2, 2010.

Opposer's Registered Marks

6. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
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SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 – Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
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7. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company
	(recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.
	(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);
Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company
	(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.
	(recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).
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Opposer's Use Of Its Famous Marks

- 8. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 9. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 10. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by

Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.

- 11. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 12. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 13. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 15. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/864,268, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE will be used are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART

 BALANCE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its

mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels of trade.

- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART BALANCE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 20. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

Applicant Has Essentially Admitted That Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 21. In numerous proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board,
 Applicant has challenged applications arguing that its registrations and applications for "smart" related marks that predate other "smart" related marks should bar registration.
- 22. Specifically, Applicant has argued that permitting other "smart" marks to register would interfere with its use of its marks and would seriously damage Applicant.
- 23. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark. Further, Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous before Applicant filed the Application. Thus, based upon Applicant's own admissions, as set forth in multiple pleadings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, in this instance, permitting Applicant's Mark to register would interfere with Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks and would seriously damage Opposer.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

24. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-23 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.

- 25. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.
- 26. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 27. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-26 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 28. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 29. Applicant filed the Application for SMART BALANCE after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 30. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/864,305 be rejected in its entirety on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Opposition

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Filing Date: 05/26/2011

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Status Date: 05/26/2011

Interlocutory Attorney: GEORGE POLOGEORGIS

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Name: Sterner, Mark

Correspondence: STERNER, MARK

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Serial #: 85113289

Application File

Application Status: Opposition Pending

Mark: SMART CHOICE

Plaintiff

Name: ProMark Brands Inc.

Correspondence: Timothy P. Fraelich

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Serial #: 74528148

Application File

Registration #: 1911590

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

Application File

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77368176

Application File

Registration #: 3462182

Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	06/01/2011
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Applicant Information

Application No	85113289	Publication date	02/01/2011
Opposition Filing Date	05/26/2011	Opposition Period Ends	06/01/2011
Applicant	Sterner, Mark 5425 Wilson Street Riverside, CA 92509 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029. First Use: 2000/09/05 First Use In Commerce: 2001/11/28
All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Soups

Grounds for Opposition

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Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of	NONE		

Mark				
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods			
II S Posistration	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998	
U.S. Registration No.	2204060		01/00/1990	
Registration Date	11/17/1998 	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03 Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses			
U.S. Registration	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004	
No.	2910009	Application Date	01/14/2004	
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark	SMART O	vies.		
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese			
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004	
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
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Word Mark

SMART ONES

Design Mark	SMART ONES
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMAI		NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Us Frozen foods, namely, break		se In Commerce: 1997/12/31 muffins

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Signature	/Timothy P. Fraelich/
Name	Timothy P. Fraelich

Date	05/26/2011

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of	
U.S. Trademark Application 85/113,289 For the Mark SMART CHOICE Published in the Official Gazette on February 1,	2011
H. J. HEINZ COMPANY,	
Opposer,	
v.	Opposition No.
STERNER, MARK	
Applicant.	·

Commissioner of Trademarks
Box TTAB
P.O. Box 1451
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NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, H. J. Heinz Company ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Pennsylvania and having a place of business at One PPG Place, Suite 3100, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART CHOICE ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 85/113,289 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Mark Sterner ("Applicant"), 5425 Wilson Street, Riverside, California 92509, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

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The Application

3. Applicant filed the actual use Application to register the mark SMART CHOICE to identify, among other goods:

Soups in International Class 29.

- 4. The Application claimed a first use date at least as early as 09/05/2000, and a first use in commerce date at least as early as 11/28/2001.
 - 5. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on February 1, 2011.

Opposer's Registered Marks

6. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables; 30 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone on in combination with other foods.
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 - Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 – Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 — Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 – Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

The following Registration Nos. have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065: 1,911,590; 2,204,080; 2,916,539; and 2,916,538.

7. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company	
	(recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);	
Assignment by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.		
	(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);	
Merger of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company		
J	(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);	
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.	
	(recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678);	
Assignment by ProMark Brands Inc. to H. J. Heinz Company		
J	(recorded at Reel 4534/Frame 0456);	

and ownership in Registration Nos. 2,916,539, 2,916,538 and 3,462,182 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by ProMark Brands Inc. to H. J. Heinz Company	
	(recorded at Reel 4534/Frame 0456).	

Opposer's Use Of Its Famous Marks

- 8. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 9. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 10. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by

Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.

- 11. Upon information and belief, Opposer's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 12. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 13. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 15. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART CHOICE, to be used in connection with the goods in Class 29 as identified in Application No. 85/113,289, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the goods in Class 29 to which to which Applicant's Mark SMART CHOICE will be applied are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the goods in Class 29 to which Applicant's Mark SMART CHOICE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer

uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels of trade.

- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods in Class 29 to which Applicant's Mark SMART CHOICE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 20. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods in Class 29 as identified in the Application are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 21. H. J. Heinz Company incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-20 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 22. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods in Class 29 are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.
- 23. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that

Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 24. H. J. Heinz Company incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-23 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 25. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 26. Applicant filed the Application for SMART CHOICE after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 27. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 85/113,289 be rejected for the goods in Class 29 as identified in the Application on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant for Class 29 and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 26th day of May, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

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Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77368176

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Registration #: 3462182

Application Status: Registered

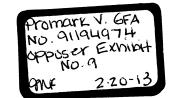
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Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.
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Applicant Information

Application No	77874610	Publication date	10/12/2010
Opposition Filing Date	02/08/2011	Opposition Period Ends	02/09/2011
Applicant	Peter D. Koleoglou 88 Henry Road Southamptom, NY 11969 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 028.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Golf balls; Golf club bags; Golf club swing aids, namely, putting aids in the nature of golf putter attachment for improving user's putting stroke; Golf clubs; Golf putters; Putting practice mats

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
Dilution	Trademark Act section 43(c)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03 Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004	
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
	SMART ONES			
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese			

U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
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Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008	
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark	SMAI	SMART ONES		
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Us Frozen foods, namely, break		Jse In Commerce: 1997/12/31 muffins	

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of	
U.S. Trademark Application 77/874,610 For the Mark SMART ONE Published in the Official Gazette on October 12,	2010
PROMARK BRANDS INC.,	
Opposer,	
v.	Opposition No.
PETER D. KOLEOGLOU	
Applicant.	
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NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART ONE ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 77/874,610 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.

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2. To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Peter D. Koleoglou ("Applicant"), 88 Henry Road, Southampton, New York 11969, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

OPPOSER'S REGISTERED MARKS

3. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 – Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 – Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 – Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

(collectively, "the SMART ONES Mark"). Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

4. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.

	(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);
Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc. (recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

OPPOSER'S USE OF ITS FAMOUS MARKS

- 5. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 6. Opposer's use of the SMART ONES Mark, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
 - 7. Opposer has made substantial sales of goods under the SMART ONES Mark.
- 8. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the SMART ONES Mark is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.
- 9. Upon information and belief, Opposer's SMART ONES Mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 10. Upon information and belief, the SMART ONES Mark has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

THE APPLICATION

11. Notwithstanding Opposer's prior rights, on November 17, 2009, Applicant filed the Application on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMART ONE to identify:

Golf balls; Golf club bags; Golf club swing aids, namely, putting aids in the nature of golf putter attachment for improving user's putting stroke; Golf clubs; Golf putters; Putting practice mats in **International Class 28**.

- 12. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on October 12, 2010.
- 13. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of February 8, 2011.

COUNT I <u>LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION</u>

- 14. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-13 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 15. Opposer's use of the SMART ONES Mark long predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 16. Opposer's use of the SMART ONES Mark long predates the filing date of the Application.
- 17. Upon information and belief, Applicant was are of Opposer and Opposer's longstanding use of the SMART ONES Mark when it filed the Application.
- 18. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART ONE, to be used in connection with the goods in Class 28, as identified in Application No. 77/874,610, is confusingly similar to the SMART ONES Mark as used and registered by Opposer..
- 19. Due to the similarity of the marks involved, and other factors, confusion is likely as between Applicant's Mark SMART ONE and Opposer's SMART ONES Mark, pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d).

- 20. Registration of Applicant's Mark is likely to cause confusion or mistake in the minds of consumers, and to lead the relevant public into believing that Applicant's goods are Opposers, or are affiliated with, endorsed, approved or sponsored by Opposer, or are otherwise connected with Opposer, all to the damage and injury of Opposer and the relevant public.
- 21. In view of the above, the grant of a registration for Applicant's Mark, as sought in the Application, should be denied.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 22. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-21 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 23. Through extensive use, advertising and promotion, the SMART ONES Mark has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 24. The SMART ONES Mark was well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 25. Registration of Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of Opposer's famous SMART ONES Mark, to the injury of Opposer, by lessening the capacity of the SMART ONES Mark to identify and distinguish Opposer's goods and services, or otherwise diluting or tarnishing Opposer's famous SMART ONES Mark.
- 26. Based on the foregoing, the grant of a registration for Applicant's Mark as sought in the Application should be denied based on a likelihood of dilution of the distinctive quality of Opposer's SMART ONES Mark, in violation of Section 43 (c) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/874,610 be rejected for the goods in Class 28 as identified in the Application on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/Ashley H. Wilkes

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Opposition

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Interlocutory Attorney: ELIZABETH A DUNN

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Application File

Application Status: Opposition Pending

Mark: SMART PICKS

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Serial #: 74528148

Application File

Registration #: 1911590

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Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

Application File

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77368176

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Registration #: 3462182

Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.			
Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	Idaho	
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Applicant Information

Application No	85076856	Publication date	11/30/2010
Opposition Filing Date	12/21/2010	Opposition Period Ends	12/30/2010
Applicant	Pierre Foods, Inc. 9990 Princeton Glendale Road Cincinnati, OH 452461127 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: beef, all-meat beef steak, flame broiled beef steak patties, soy-added beef patties, beef rib patties, flame broiled lean beef patties, flame broiled beef patties, flame broiled beef patties, flame broiled beef patties with onion, flame broiled beef patties with mesquite seasoning, charbroiled beef patties, charbroiled beef patties with mesquite seasoning, chicken, breaded chicken patties, spicy breaded chicken patties, teriyaki chicken for dipping, breaded chicken nuggets, flame broiled teriyaki chicken breast patties, flame broiled barbeque chicken breast patties, flame broiled chicken breast patties with teriyaki sauce, flame broiled mesquite chicken cutlets, flame broiled chicken breast fillets, flame broiled chicken breast patties with Honey mustard sauce, chicken breast drumsticks with honey barbeque sauce, grilled chicken patties, flame broiled chicken breast strips with honey barbeque sauce, teriyaki chicken breasts, mesquite chicken filets, pork, pork rib patties, pork sausage patties, cooked veggie ribs made of meat substitutes with honey barbeque sauce

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: sandwiches, beef patty sandwiches, grilled chicken sandwiches, burger sandwiches, beef rib sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin cheeseburger sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin burger sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin breaded chicken sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin beef sausage sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin barbeque pork rib

sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin pork sausage sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin barbeque beef rib sandwiches, crustless peanut butter and grape jelly sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and strawberry jam sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and banana sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and honey sandwich on wheat bread, graham cracker and peanut butter and jelly combinations in bar form, bread sticks, whole wheat breadsticks, wheat breadsticks, whole cinnamon biscuits, white whole cinnamon biscuits, white whole wheat breadsticks, sliced buttermilk biscuits, whole grain macaroni and cheese

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)	
Dilution	Trademark Act section 43(c)	

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods		

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03		
	Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark			
	SMART	ONES	
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services		eat frozen bread or wrap hav	se In Commerce: 2001/04/01 ring a meat and/or vegetable
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMART	ONES	
Description of Mark	NONE	`	

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Goods/Services

Pizza

Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30

Design Mark	SMART ONES
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/12/31 First Use In Commerce: 1997/12/31 Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins

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Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

Signature	/Ashley H. Wilkes/
Name	Timothy P. Fraelich, Ashley H. Wilkes
Date	12/21/2010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 85/076,856
For the Mark SMART PICKS
Published in the Official Gazette on November 30, 2010

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,	
Opposer,	
v.	Opposition No.
ADVANCEPIERRE FOODS, INC.	
Applicant.	

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART PICKS ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 85/076,856 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Advancepierre Foods, Inc. ("Applicant"), 9990 Princeton Glendale Road, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45246-1127, United States.

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As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

The Application

- 3. Applicant's predecessor in interest, Pierre Foods, Inc., filed the Application on July 2, 2010 on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMART PICKS to identify:
 - a. beef, all-meat beef steak, flame broiled beef steak patties, soy-added beef patties, beef rib patties, flame broiled lean beef patties, flame broiled beef patties, flame broiled beef patties with onion, flame broiled beef patties with mesquite seasoning, charbroiled beef patties, charbroiled beef patties with mesquite seasoning, chicken, breaded chicken patties, spicy breaded chicken patties, teriyaki chicken for dipping, breaded chicken nuggets, flame broiled teriyaki chicken breast patties, flame broiled barbeque chicken breast patties, flame broiled chicken breast patties with teriyaki sauce, flame broiled mesquite chicken cutlets, flame broiled chicken breast fillets, flame broiled chicken breast patties with Honey mustard sauce, chicken breast drumsticks with honey barbeque sauce, grilled chicken patties, flame broiled chicken breast strips with honey barbeque sauce, teriyaki chicken breasts, mesquite chicken filets, pork, pork rib patties, pork sausage patties, cooked veggie ribs made of meat substitutes with honey barbeque sauce in International Class 29; and
 - b. sandwiches, beef patty sandwiches, grilled chicken sandwiches, burger sandwiches, beef rib sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin cheeseburger sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin burger sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin breaded chicken sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin beef sausage sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin barbeque pork rib sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin pork sausage sandwiches, white whole wheat mini twin barbeque beef rib sandwiches, crustless peanut butter and grape jelly sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and strawberry jam sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and banana sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and banana sandwiches on wheat bread, crustless peanut butter and honey sandwich on wheat bread, graham cracker and peanut butter and jelly combinations in bar form, bread sticks, whole wheat breadsticks, wheat breadsticks, whole cinnamon biscuits, white whole cinnamon biscuits, white whole grain macaroni and cheese in International Class 30.
 - 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on November 30, 2010.
- 5. Upon information and belief, the Application was assigned by Pierre Foods, Inc. to Applicant on November 29, 2010 and the assignment was recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 6, 2010.

6. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of December 21, 2010.

Opposer's Registered Marks

7. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/	Registration/ Z	International Class/Goods
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Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc. (recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

Opposer's Use Of Its Famous Marks

- 9. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 10. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 11. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Opposer's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 13. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 15. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 16. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.

- 17. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART PICKS, to be used in connection with the goods in Classes 29 and 30 as identified in Application No. 85/076,856 is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the products with which Applicant's Mark SMART PICKS will be used are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART PICKS will be applied and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels of trade.
- 20. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART PICKS will be applied and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 21. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 22. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-21 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 23. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that

Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

24. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 25. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-24 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 26. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 27. Applicant filed the Application for SMART PICKS after Opposer's SMART ONES marks became famous.
- 28. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause dilution of the distinctiveness of Opposer's famous SMART ONES marks.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 85/076,856 be rejected on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 21st day of December, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

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Mark: SMARTNOURISH

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Mark: SMART ONES

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- 7 02/02/2011 BD'S DECISION: DISMISSED W/O PREJUDICE
- 6 01/31/2011 <u>D'S REQUEST TO AMEND APPLICATION WITH CONSENT AND WITHDRAWAL OF OPPOSITION</u>
- 5 12/22/2010 EXTENSION OF TIME GRANTED
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Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

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Applicant Information

Application No	77757499	Publication date	05/25/2010
Opposition Filing Date	11/22/2010	Opposition Period Ends	11/21/2010
Applicant	Société des Produits Nestlé S.A. Intellectual Property Department CASE POSTALE 353 1800 VEVEY, SWITZERLAND		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Freeze-dried fruits and vegetables, prepackaged meals consisting primarily of meat, poultry, vegetables, cheese and fruit; fruit based snack foods; fruit and yogurt based snack foods, dairy-based beverages; cheese and milk products excluding ice cream, ice milk and frozen yogurt; yogurts

Class 030

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Pre-packaged meals consisting primarily of pasta with meat sauce, pasta and sauce; processed meat; bakery products, namely, crackers, cookies, biscuits; grain-based snack foods, namely, whole grain snacks

Class 032.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Fruit and vegetable juices; bottled drinking water

Grounds for Opposition

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Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
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Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods		

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03		
	Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMART Ö	NES	·
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese		

U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
	SMART ONES		
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use Pizza	e: 1997/11/30 First U	se In Commerce: 1997/11/30

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMA	RTC	NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First L Frozen foods, namely, brea		se In Commerce: 1997/12/31 muffins

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Date	11/22/2010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/757499
For the Mark SMARTNOURISH
Published in the Official Gazette on May 25, 2010

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

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V.

SOCIÉTÉ DES PRODUITS NESTLÉ S.A.,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, ID 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMARTNOURISH ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 77/757,499 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- 2. To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Société des Produits Nestlé S.A. ("Applicant"), 12 Vreeland Rd, Florham Park, NJ 07932, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

The Application

- 3. Applicant filed the Application on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMARTNOURISH to identify:
 - a. Blend of nutrients and minerals sold as an ingredient in food for babies; Infant Formula; Food and food substances for babies in International Class 5;
 - b. Freeze-dried fruits and vegetables, pre-packaged meals consisting primarily of meat, poultry, vegetables, cheese and fruit; fruit based snack foods; fruit and yogurt based snack foods, dairy-based beverages; cheese and milk products excluding ice cream, ice milk and frozen yogurt; yogurts in International Class 29;
 - c. Pre-packaged meals consisting primarily of pasta with meat sauce, pasta and sauce; processed meat; bakery products, namely, crackers, cookies, biscuits; grain-based snack foods, namely, whole grain snacks in International Class 30; and
 - d. Fruit and vegetable juices; bottled drinking water in International Class 32.
 - 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on May 25, 2010.
 - 5. Opposer was granted an extension of time to oppose until November 21, 2010.
 - 6. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of November 21, 2010.

2010.

Opposer's Registered Marks

7. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 – Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 – Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 – Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

8. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc. (recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);
Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc. (recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

Opposer's Use Of Its Famous Marks

- 9. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 10. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.

- 11. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 13. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 15. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 16. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 17. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMARTNOURISH, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/864,305, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark SMARTNOURISH will be used are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.

- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark

 SMARTNOURISH will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer

 uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels

 of trade.
- 20. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark
 SMARTNOURISH will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer
 uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of
 purchasers.
- 21. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 22. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-21 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 23. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.
- 24. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that

Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 25. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-24 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 26. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 27. Applicant filed the Application for SMARTNOURISH after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 28. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/757,499 be rejected in its entirety on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

Number: 91197301

Filing Date: 11/08/2010

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 05/03/2011

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Serial #: <u>77735593</u>

Application File

Application Status: Notice of Allowance - Issued

Mark: SMART SENSE

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Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

Application File

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

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Application File

Registration #: 3462182

Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	11/07/2010
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Applicant Information

Application No	77735593	Publication date	05/11/2010
Opposition Filing Date	11/08/2010	Opposition Period Ends	11/07/2010
Applicant	Sears Brands, LLC 3333 Beverly Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60179 UNITED STATES	·	

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Chewing gum, candy, processed cheese spread, breakfast cereals, oatmeal, quick oats, coffee, tea, iced tea, cookies, crackers, ketchup, mustard, relish, mayonnaise, barbecue sauce, macaroni and cheese, packaged entrees consisting primarily of pasta, rice cakes, spices, sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, sugar substitutes, vinegar, granola, granola snacks

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)	
Dilution	Trademark Act section 43(c)	

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority	NONE

		Date		
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
Description of Mark				
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods			
U.S. Registration	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998	

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03		
	Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
	SMART ONES		
Description of Mark			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese		

U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
	SMART ONES
Description	NONE
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark SMART ONES SMART ONES			NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/12/31 First Use In Commerce: 1997/12/31 Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins		

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Name	Timothy P. Fraelich, Ashley H. Wilkes

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of			
U.S. Trademark Application 77/735,593 For the Mark SMART SENSE Published in the Official Gazette on May 11, 2010			
PROMARK BRANDS INC.,			
Opposer,			
v.	Opposition No.		
SEARS BRANDS, LLC			
Applicant.			

Commissioner of Trademarks
Box TTAB
P.O. Box 1451
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART SENSE ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 77/735,593 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Sears Brands, LLC ("Applicant"), 3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60179, United States.

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As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

The Application

3. Applicant filed the Application on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMART SENSE to identify, among other goods:

chewing gum, candy, processed cheese spread, breakfast cereals, oatmeal, quick oats, coffee, tea, iced tea, cookies, crackers, ketchup, mustard, relish, mayonnaise, barbecue sauce, macaroni and cheese, packaged entrees consisting primarily of pasta, rice cakes, spices, sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, sugar substitutes, vinegar, granola, granola snacks in **International Class 30**.

- 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on May 11, 2010.
- 5. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of November 8, 2010.

Opposer's Registered Marks

6. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 – Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 – Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 – Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

7. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company	
	(recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);	
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.	
	(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);	
Merger of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company		
	(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);	
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.	
	(recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).	
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Opposer's Use Of Its Famous Marks

- 8. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 9. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 10. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.
- 11. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 12. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

Dilution And Confusion Are Likely

- 13. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 15. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART SENSE, to be used in connection with the goods in Class 30 as identified in Application No. 77/735,593, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the goods in Class 30 to which to which Applicant's Mark SMART SENSE will be applied are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the goods in Class 30 to which Applicant's Mark SMART SENSE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels of trade.
- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods in Class 30 to which Applicant's Mark SMART SENSE will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.

20. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods in Class 30 as identified in the Application are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 21. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-20 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 22. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods in Class 30 are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.
- 23. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 24. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-23 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 25. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).

- 26. Applicant filed the Application for SMART SENSE after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 27. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/864,305 be rejected for the goods in Class 30 as identified in the Application on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant for Class 30 and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 8th day of November, 2010.

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A copy of the foregoing was served on this 8^{th} day of November, 2010, via first-class mail upon the Attorney of Record for Applicant:

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Mark: SMART ONES

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Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

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Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	01/10/2010
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Applicant Information

Application No	77563885	Publication date	07/14/2009
Opposition Filing Date	01/11/2010	Opposition Period Ends	01/10/2010
Applicant	FL Food Lion, Inc. 2110 Executive Drive Salisbury, NC 28145 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 016. All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Lunch bags
Class 021. All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Dinnerware, namely, cups and plates
Class 029. All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Frozen strawberries; cole slaw; chicken salad; and fresh chicken
Class 030. All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Frozen pizza
Class 031. All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Pet litter

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
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Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods		

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03 Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004		
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE		
Word Mark	SMART ONES				
Design Mark					
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Description of Mark	NONE				
Goods/Services			Jse In Commerce: 2001/04/01 ving a meat and/or vegetable		

U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMART O	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -	
Description of Mark	NONE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Us Pizza	e: 1997/11/30 First L	Jse In Commerce: 1997/11/30

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMAF		NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Us Frozen foods, namely, breakt		Jse In Commerce: 1997/12/31 muffins

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Signature	/Timothy P. Fraelich/
Name	Timothy P. Fraelich
Date	01/11/2010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/563,885
For the Mark SMART OPTION
Published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2009

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

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FL FOOD LION, INC.,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, ID 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART OPTION ("Applicant's Mark") shown in trademark application Serial No. 77/563,885 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is FL Food Lion, Inc. ("Applicant"), 2110 Executive Drive, Salisbury, North Carolina 28145, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 3. Applicant has filed the Application on an intent-to-use basis to register the mark SMART OPTION to identify:
 - a. Lunch bags in International Class 16;
 - b. Dinnerware, namely, cups and plates, in International Class 21;
 - c. Frozen strawberries; coleslaw; chicken salad; and fresh chicken in International Class 29;
 - d. Frozen pizza in International Class 30; and
 - e. Pet litter in International Class 31.
 - 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2009.
- 5. Opposer has requested extensions of time to oppose the Application. Opposer's last request was granted on November 11, 2009. Pursuant to the Order of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, Opposer was granted until Sunday, January 10, 2009 to oppose the Application. Because that date is a Sunday, pursuant to TBMP § 209.02 and 37 C.F.R. § 2.196, Opposer has until January 11, 2009 to oppose the Application.
 - 6. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of January 11, 2009.
- 7. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for SMART ONES ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 – Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 – Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 - Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 – Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

8. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

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	(recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);
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Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company
	(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.
	(recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

- 9. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 10. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 11. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion.

- 12. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 13. Upon information and belief, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.
- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 15. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 16. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 17. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART OPTION, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/563,885, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark SMART OPTION will be used are related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 19. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART OPTION will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in identical channels of trade.

- 20. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART OPTION will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 21. Upon information and belief, both Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods are relatively low-priced and may be purchased on impulse by consumers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 22. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-21 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 23. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.
- 24. In view of the fame of Opposer's Marks, the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade, related nature of the goods and the relatively low-priced nature of the goods, the mark shown in the Application so resembles Opposer's Marks so as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Opposer's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Applicant.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 25. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-24 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 26. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- Applicant filed the Application for SMART OPTION after Opposer's SMART
 ONES mark became famous.
- 28. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/563,885 be rejected in its entirety on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 11th day of January, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

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Filing Date: 09/01/2009

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 12/09/2009

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Mark: SMART FRY

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Applicant Information

Application No	77688852	Publication date	07/14/2009
Opposition Filing Date	09/01/2009	Opposition Period Ends	09/12/2009
Applicant	Deacon Dog Brands LLC Suite A210 17383 Sunset Pacific Palisades, CA 902 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Frozen entrees consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; packaged entrees consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; frozen appetizers consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; packaged appetizers consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; frozen side dishes consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; packaged side dishes consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables

Grounds for Opposition

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Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services		ozen bread or wrap hav	Jse In Commerce: 2001/04/01 ving a meat and/or vegetable

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Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
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Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMAE		NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use Frozen foods, namely, breakf		Jse In Commerce: 1997/12/31 muffins

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Name	Timothy P. Fraelich

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For the Mark SMART FRY
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Opposer,

Opposition No.

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As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 3. Applicant has filed the Application to register the mark SMART FRY to identify "[f]rozen entrees consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; packaged entrees consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; frozen appetizers consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; packaged appetizers consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; frozen side dishes consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables; packaged side dishes consisting primarily of meat, seafood, poultry, or vegetables."
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- 16. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART FRY, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/688,852, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark will be used are closely related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART FRY will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are: (1) offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade, and (2) offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 19. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-18 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 20. In view of the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade and the related nature of the goods offered for sale by the respective parties, it is alleged that Applicant's Mark SMART FRY so resembles Opposer's Marks, previously used in the United States, and not abandoned, as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 21. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-20 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 22. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 23. Applicant filed the Application for SMART FRY after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 24. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/688,852 be rejected on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

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Interlocutory Attorney: FRANCES S WOLFSON

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Serial #: 77464240

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART SALMON

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Application File

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Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

<u>Application File</u>

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77368176

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Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART ONES

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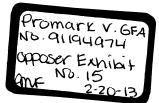
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	09/12/2009
Address	2541 North Stokesberry PlaceSuite 100 Meridian, ID 83642 UNITED STATES

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Applicant Information

Application No	77464240	Publication date	07/14/2009
Opposition Filing Date	09/01/2009	Opposition Period Ends	09/12/2009
Applicant	Shining Ocean, Inc. 1515 Puyallup St. Sumner, WA 98390 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.	
All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: frozen or refrigerated salmon fillet	with
sauce	

Grounds for Opposition

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Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
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Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			

Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use	a: 1992/05/01 First U	se In Commerce: 1992/05/01
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	Class 030. First use: First Use	•	•
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	with other foods	any or passa and	Tito dieno or in comme
U.S. Registration	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
No.	2204000		011001.000
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use		
I	Frozen desserts consisting of	milk based or milk s	ubstitute based desserts,
	cakes, pies and mousses		
U.S. Posietration	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
U.S. Registration No.	2910009	Application Date	011141200-
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	;		
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01		
	Pre-cooked ready-to-eat froze filling with or without cheese	en bread or wrap hav	ving a meat and/or vegetable
110 Designation	T 2046520	T Application Date	01/14/2004
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE

SMART ONES

Word Mark

Design Mark	SMART ONES	
Description of Mark	NONE	
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza	

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services			Jse In Commerce: 1997/12/31
	Frozen foods, namely, break	fast sandwiches and	muffins

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/464,240
For the Mark SMART SALMON
Published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2009

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

Opposition No.	
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v.

SHINING OCEAN, INC.,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks
Box TTAB
P.O. Box 1451
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, ID 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of the mark SMART SALMON shown in trademark application Serial No. 77/464,240 (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Shining Ocean, Inc. ("Applicant"), 1515 Puyallup Street., Sumner, WA 98390, United States.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 3. Applicant has filed the Application to register the mark SMART SALMON to identify "frozen or refrigerated salmon fillet with sauce."
 - 4. The Application was published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2009.
- 5. Opposer requested a 30-day extension of time to oppose the Application and Opposer's request was granted on August 11, 2009.
 - 6. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of September 1, 2009.
- 7. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES marks ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 - Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	30 - Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses.
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	30 - Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 - Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July 8, 2008	30 - Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

8. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc. (recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);
Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc. (recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

- Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1,
 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 10. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 11. Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion. As such, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general, consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 13. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.

- 14. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 15. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART SALMON, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/464,240, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark will be used are closely related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 18. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART SALMON will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are: (1) offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade and offered for sale, and (2) sold to the same class of purchasers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 19. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-18 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 20. In view of the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade and the related nature of the goods offered for sale by the respective parties, it is alleged that Applicant's Mark SMART SALMON so resembles Opposer's Marks, previously used in the United States, and not abandoned, as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 21. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-20 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 22. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).
- 23. Applicant filed the Application for SMART SALMON after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 24. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/464,240 be rejected on the basis of: (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution; and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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Serial #: 77607778

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Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART BREAKFAST

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Application File

Registration #: 1911590

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

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Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

Application File

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

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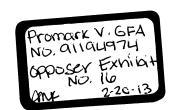
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

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Applicant Information

Application No	77607778	Publication date	07/14/2009
Opposition Filing Date	08/13/2009	Opposition Period Ends	08/13/2009
Applicant	ConAgra Foods RDM, Inc. One ConAgra Drive Omaha, NE 68102 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: english muffin sandwiches, bagel sandwiches, croissant sandwiches, breakfast pizza, breakfast burritos, breakfast wraps, muffins, cinnamon rolls and bakery goods

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of	NONE		

Mark				
Goods/Services	frozen entrees consisting pro Class 030. First use: First U	imarily of chicken, bee se: 1992/05/01 First U	se In Commerce: 1992/05/01 of, fish and/or vegetables se In Commerce: 1992/05/01 rice alone or in combination	
U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998	
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First U	se: 1997/11/03 First U	lse In Commerce: 1997/11/03	
	Frozen desserts consisting cakes, pies and mousses	of milk based or milk s	ubstitute based desserts,	
U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004	
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark	SMART O	NES		
Description of NONE Mark			•	
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese			
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004	
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
	SMART ONES			

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F1224		Pizza

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMAI	RT C	NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/12/31 First Use In Commerce: 1997/12/31 Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins		

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/607,778
For the Mark SMART BREAKFAST
Published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2009

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

Opposition No.

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CONAGRA FOODS RDM, INC.,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of Application Serial No. 77/607,778 for the mark SMART BREAKFAST (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- 2. To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is ConAgra Foods RDM, Inc. ("Applicant"), One ConAgra Drive, Omaha, NE 68102.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 3. Applicant filed an intent to use application on November 5, 2008, to register the mark SMART BREAKFAST ("Applicant's Mark") for use in connection with "english muffin sandwiches, bagel sandwiches, croissant sandwiches, breakfast pizza, breakfast burritos, breakfast wraps, muffins, cinnamon rolls and bakery goods" in International Class 30.
- 4. On May 27, 2009, Applicant files a Response to Office Action in which it disclaimed the word "BREAKFAST."
 - 5. Applicant has not filed an amendment to allege use as of August 13, 2009.
- 6. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES marks ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	29 - Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables.
			30 - Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	mousses.

SMART ONES SMART ONES	2,916,539 2,916,538	January 4, 2005 January 4, 2005	30 - Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese. 30 - Pizza.
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July, 8, 2008	30 - Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

7. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at reel 1971/Frame 0642);
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Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company (recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands, Inc. (recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

- 8. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 9. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- Opposer's continuous, exclusive and commercially successful use of the mark

 SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by

 Opposer through substantial amounts of time, money and effort in manufacturing, advertising

and promotion. As such, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique and famous identifier of Opposer's goods.

- 11. Upon information and belief, Applicant's SMART ONES mark is widely and highly recognized by the general consuming public of the United States as a designation of source of Opposer's goods.
- 12. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- 13. Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the Application.
- 14. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 15. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark SMART BREAKFAST, to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application No. 77/607,778, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used and registered by Opposer.
- 16. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark will be used are closely related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used, and are using, the mark SMART ONES.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark SMART BREAKFAST will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade and offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.

COUNT I LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

- 18. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-17 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 19. In view of the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade and the related nature of the goods offered for sale by the respective parties, it is alleged that Applicant's Mark SMART BREAKFAST so resembles Opposer's Marks, previously used in the United States, and not abandoned, as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

COUNT II TRADEMARK DILUTION

- 20. ProMark incorporates each and every allegation of Paragraphs 1-19 of this Notice as though fully set forth herein.
- 21. SMART ONES has become famous in accordance with the standard set forth in 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c)(1).
- 22. Applicant filed the Application for SMART BREAKFAST after Opposer's SMART ONES mark became famous.
- 23. Applicant's Mark is likely to cause the dilution of the distinctiveness of the Opposer's famous SMART ONES mark.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/607,778 be rejected on the basis of (1) likelihood of confusion and (2) likelihood of dilution, and that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 13th day of August, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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Interlocutory Attorney: LINDA M SKORO

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Name: Redi-Quick, L.L.C.

Correspondence: Gerald H Klossner

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Serial #: 78823100

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - No Statement Of Use Filed

Mark: SMART BURRITO

Plaintiff

Name: ProMark Brands, Inc.

Correspondence: Timothy P. Fraelich

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Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77368176

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Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART ONES

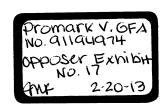
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands, Inc.			
Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	Idaho	
Address	2541 North Stokesbe Meridian, ID 83642 UNITED STATES	rry Place Suite 100		

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Applicant Information

Application No	78823100	Publication date	03/24/2009
Opposition Filing Date	04/22/2009	Opposition Period Ends	04/23/2009
Applicant	Redi-Quick, L.L.C. 2932 Kassarine Pass Austin, TX 78704 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 020
Class 030.
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All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Burritos

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)	

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		

Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use		
	frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods		
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U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use	e: 1997/11/03 First Us	se In Commerce: 1997/11/03
	Frozen desserts consisting of cakes, pies and mousses	milk based or milk su	ubstitute based desserts,
U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Design Mark			
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	SMART ONES		
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese		
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE

SMART ONES

Word Mark

Design Mark	SMART ONES		
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza		
U.S. Registration	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008

U.S. Registration No.	3462182	Application Date	01/10/2008
Registration Date	07/08/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMART ONES		
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	•		Jse in Commerce: 1997/12/31
	Frozen foods, namely,	breakfast sandwiches and	muffins

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Signature	/Timothy P. Fraelich/
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Date	04/22/2009
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 78/823,100
For the Mark SMART BURRITO
Published in the Official Gazette on March 24, 2009

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

Opposition No.	
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v.

REDI-QUICK, L.L.C.,

Applicant.

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of Application Serial No. 78/823,100 for the mark SMART BURRITO (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is REDI-QUICK, L.L.C. ("Applicant"), 2932 Kassarine Pass, Austin, Texas 78704.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

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- 3. Applicant filed an intent to use application on February 24, 2006, to register the mark SMART BURRITO ("Applicant's Mark") for use in connection with "burritos" in international Class 30.
- 4. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations and applications in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES marks ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/ Filing Date	International Class/Goods
	1011500		29 - Frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	and/or vegetables.
			30 - Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	mousses.
GMANTI ONES	2.016.520	J 4 2005	30 - Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.
			30 – Frozen foods, namely, breakfast sandwiches and
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July, 8, 2008	muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

5. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assi	ignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company
	_	(recorded at reel 1971/Frame 0642);

by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.
(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);
of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company
(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);
by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.
(recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678).

- 6. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 7. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 8. Opposer's continuous and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion. As such, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique identifier of Opposer's goods and has become famous.
- Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use date by Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the
 Application.
- 11. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark, to be used in connection with the goods covered by the Application, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used by Opposer.

- 13. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark will be used are closely related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used and are using the mark SMART ONES.
- 14. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade and offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 15. In view of the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade and the related nature of the goods offered for sale by the respective parties, it is alleged that Applicant's Mark so resembles Opposer's Marks, previously used and registered in the United States, and not abandoned, as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 78/823,100 be rejected, that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 2009

Respectfully, submitted,

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing, **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**, was served on Applicant via First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to:

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Dated this 22nd day of April, 2009

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Opposition

Number: 91188379

Filing Date: 01/13/2009 **Status Date:** 02/23/2010

Status: Terminated

Interlocutory Attorney: ROBERT COGGINS

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Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMARTER CHOICES

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Registration #: 1911590 Application File

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78352011

Application File

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 78351994

Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 77315485

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Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

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Applicant Information

Application No	77511427	Publication date	11/18/2008
Opposition Filing Date	01/13/2009	Opposition Period Ends	01/17/2009
Applicant	Rich Products Corporation One Robert Rich Way Buffalo, NY 14213 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Prepared frozen or refrigerated entrees consisting primarily of shrimp and seafood; frozen or refrigerated shrimp and seafood

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			

Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03 Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
	SMART ONES		
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese		

U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		

Design Mark	
	SMART ONES
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza

U.S. Application No.	77315485	Application Date	10/29/2007
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark	SMA	RTC	NES
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use:		
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Signature	/Timothy P. Fraelich/
Name	Timothy P. Fraelich

Date	l 01/13/2009	
Date	01/10/2000	

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of

U.S. Trademark Application 77/511,427
For the Mark SMARTER CHOICES
Published in the Official Gazette on November 18, 2008

PROMARK BRANDS INC.,

Opposer,

Opposition N	No
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v.

RICH PRODUCTS CORPORATION,

Applicant.

Commissioner of Trademarks Box TTAB P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83646, believes that it will be damaged by the registration of Application Serial No. 77/511,427 for the mark SMARTER CHOICES (the "Application") and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the Application is Rich Products Corporation ("Applicant"), One Robert Rich Way, Buffalo, New York 14213.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 3. Applicant filed an intent to use application on June 30, 2008, to register the mark SMARTER CHOICES ("Applicant's Mark") for use in connection with "prepared frozen or refrigerated entrees consisting primarily of shrimp and seafood; frozen or refrigerated shrimp and seafood" in international Class 29.
- 4. Opposer is the owner of the following registrations and applications in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES marks ("Opposer's Marks"), which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

			International
Trademark	Registration/ Serial No.	Registration/Filing Date	Class/Goods
			29 - Frozen entrees
			consisting
			primarily of
CMARTONES	1.011.500		chicken, beef, fish
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995	and/or vegetables.
			30 - Frozen
			desserts consisting
			of milk based or
			milk substitute
		1	based desserts,
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998	cakes, pies and
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			ready-to-eat frozen
			bread or wrap
			having a meat
			and/or vegetable
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SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005	without cheese.
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005	30 – Pizza.
			30 - Frozen foods,
•			namely, breakfast
CMADT ONICC	2 462 192		sandwiches and
SMART ONES	3,462,182	July, 8, 2008	muffins.
SMART ONES	77/315,485	October 29, 2007	30 – Muffins.

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. § 1065.

5. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 results from the following chain of title:

Assignment	by Weight Watchers International, Inc. to H.J. Heinz Company	
	(recorded at reel 1971/Frame 0642);	
Assignment	by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.	
	(recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405);	
Merger	of ProMark International, Inc. with H.J. Heinz Company	
	(recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413);	
Assignment	ssignment by H.J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.	
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- 6. Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, since at least as early as May 1, 1992, has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States in connection with the goods described above.
- 7. Opposer's use of Opposer's Marks, as described above, has been valid and continuous since the date of first use.
- 8. Opposer's continuous and commercially-successful use of the mark SMART ONES is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time and effort in manufacturing, advertising and promotion. As such, the mark SMART ONES has come to serve as a unique identifier of Opposer's goods and has become famous.
- Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates any alleged use date by
 Applicant for Applicant's Mark.
- Opposer's use of the mark SMART ONES predates the filing date of the
 Application.
- 11. Opposer's Marks were well established and famous long before the filing date of the Application and at the time that Applicant filed the Application.

- 12. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Mark, to be used in connection with the goods covered by the Application, is confusingly similar to Opposer's Marks as used by Opposer.
- 13. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's Mark will be used are closely related to, or identical to, various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used and are using the mark SMART ONES.
- 14. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's Mark will be applied, and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses its mark SMART ONES, are products that are offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade and offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers.
- 15. In view of the similarity of the respective marks, similarity of the channels of trade and the related nature of the goods offered for sale by the respective parties, it is alleged that Applicant's Mark so resembles Opposer's Marks, previously used and registered in the United States, and not abandoned, as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to source by suggesting that Applicant's goods are associated with or approved, endorsed, affiliated, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application Serial No. 77/511,427 be rejected, that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this 13th day of January, 2009

Respectfully, submitted,

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing, **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**, was served on Applicant by depositing it with the United States Postal Service as express mail in an envelope addressed to:

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Opposition

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Application File

Application Status: Fifth Extension - Granted

Mark: SMART TASTE

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Application File

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Mark: SMART ONES

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Application File

Registration #: 2916538

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: <u>75415119</u>

Application File

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Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 74528148

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Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

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Applicant Information

Application No	77138509	Publication date	09/25/2007
Opposition Filing Date	03/24/2008	Opposition Period Ends	03/23/2008
Applicant	New World Pasta Company 85 Shannon Road Harrisburg, PA 17112 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: pasta, sauce, prepared or packaged meals consisting primarily of pasta and containing sauce

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			

Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01 Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese			
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004	
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza			
U.S. Registration No.	2204080 Application Date 01/08/1998			
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03 Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses			
	T 4044500	Application Date	05/20/1994	
U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994	
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	SMART ONES			
Design Mark				
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables Class 030. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01 frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods			
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Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

Signature	/Timothy P. Fraelich/
Name	Timothy P. Fraelich
Date	03/24/2008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of Trademark Application No. 77/138509
For the mark SMART TASTE
Date filed: March 23, 2007
Published: September 25, 2007

PROMARK BRANDS, INC. 2541 North Stokesberry Place Suite 100 Meridian, Idaho 83642 Opposition No.

Opposer,

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NEW WORLD PASTA COMPANY 85 Shannon Road Harrsiburg, Pennsylvania 17112

Applicant.

COMMISSIONER FOR TRADEMARKS P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

- 1. Opposer, PROMARK BRANDS, INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Idaho, located and doing business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho, 83642 ("Opposer") believes that it will be damaged by registration of Application No. 77/138509 for the word SMART TASTE and hereby opposes same pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1052 and 1063.
- 2. To the best of Opposer's knowledge, the name and address of the current owner of the application is: NEW WORLD PASTA COMPANY, 85 Shannon Road, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

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- 3. Applicant, New World Pasta Company, filed the above cited application to register the mark SMART TASTE in connection with the following goods: "pasta, sauce, prepared or packaged meals consisting primarily of pasta and containing sauce", in International Class 30. The application was published for opposition in the Official Gazette on September 25, 2007.
- 4. Opposer is the owner of United States Registration No. 2916539 issued on January 4; 2005 for the mark SMART ONES (the "Mark") to identify "pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese", in International Class 30.
- 5. Opposer, since as early as April 1, 2001 has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States and internationally in connection with goods described above.
- Opposer is the owner of United States Registration No. 2916538 issued on
 January 4, 2005 for the mark SMART ONES (the "Mark") to identify "pizza", in International Class 30.
- 7. Opposer, since as early as April 1, 2001 has been, and is now, using the mark SMART ONES throughout the United States and internationally in connection with goods described above.
- 8. Opposer is the owner of United States Registration No. 2204080 issued on November 17, 1998 for the mark SMART ONES (the "Mark") to identify "frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses", in International Class 30.
- 9. Registration No. 2204080 is valid, has not been abandoned by Opposer, and has become incontestable.
- 10. Opposer is the owner of United States Registration No. 1911590 issued on August 15, 1995 for the mark SMART ONES (the "Mark") to identify "frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables", in International Class 29, and "frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta and/or rice alone or in combination with other foods", in International Class 30.
- 11. Registration No. 1911590 is valid, has not been abandoned by Opposer, and has become incontestable.

- 12. Opposer's continuous and commercially successful use of its Mark is symbolic of extensive good will and consumer recognition built up by Opposer through substantial amounts of time and effort in advertising and promotion of such Mark and has come to serve as a unique identifier of Opposer's goods.
- 13. In view of the similarity of the respective marks and the related nature of the goods and services of the respective parties, it is alleged that Applicant's mark SMART TASTE so resembles Opposer's Mark, as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive by suggesting that Applicant's goods and services are associated with or approved, endorsed, authorized or sponsored by Opposer.
- 14. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Jones Day's Deposit Account No. 50-1432, in the amount of \$300 to account number 931063-205005. In case any other fees are required, please also charge this Deposit Account.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that Application No. 77/138509 for the word SMART TASTE be denied registration and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated this $\frac{2^{\eta^{f_h}}}{2^{n}}$ of March, 2008.

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Opposition

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Mark: SMARTON'S

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Serial #: 74528148

Application File

Registration #: 1911590

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

Serial #: 75415119

Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

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Application File

Registration #: 2916539

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART ONES

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Mark: SMART ONES

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Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

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Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	Idaho	
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Applicant Information

Application No	77064244	Publication date	07/10/2007
Opposition Filing Date	08/03/2007	Opposition Period Ends	08/09/2007
Applicant	Cherrydale Manufacturing, 1035 Mill Road Allentown, PA 18106 UNITED STATES	L.L.C.	

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Chocolate based ready-to-eat food bars; grain based food bars; granola based snack bars; ready to eat, cereal derived food bars; toaster pastries; chocolate; and candy

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		

Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Use In Commerce: 1992/05/01		
	frozen entrees consistir	ng primarily of chicken, bee	f, fish and/or vegetables
	Class 030. First use: Fi	rst Use: 1992/05/01 First U	se In Commerce: 1992/05/01
· ·	frozen entrees consistir with other foods	ng primarily of pasta and/or	rice alone or in combination
U.C. Designation		Application Date	01/08/1998
U.S. Registration No.	2204080		
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: Fi	rst Use: 1997/11/03 First U	lse In Commerce: 1997/11/03
	Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		
II & Posistration	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
U.S. Registration No.	2910009	Application bate	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: Fi	rst Use: 2001/04/01 First U	Jse In Commerce: 2001/04/01
	Pre-cooked ready-to-ea filling with or without ch		ving a meat and/or vegetable
U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/		
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Signature	/Thomas H. Curtin/	
Name	Thomas H. Curtin	
Date	08/03/2007	

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of Application

Mark:	SMARTON'S		•	
Serial No.:	77/064,244			
Published:	July 10, 2007			
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PROMARK	BRANDS INC.,	:		
	Opposer,	:		
v.		:	Opposition No.	
CHERRYD	ALE MANUFACTURING, L.L.C.,	;		
	Applicant.	:		
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P.O. Box 14	ner of Trademarks 51 VA 22313-1451			

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

In the matter of Application Serial No. 77/064,244 for registration of the claimed trademark SMARTON'S for use in connection with "chocolate based ready-to-eat food bars; grain based food bars; granola based snack bars; ready to eat, cereal derived food bars; toaster pastries; chocolate; and candy" in International Class 30 filed on December 14, 2006 by Cherrydale Manufacturing, L.L.C. ("Applicant") of 1035 Mill Road, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18106, which was published in the Official Gazette of July 10, 2007, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a

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place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, Idaho 83642, believes that it will be damaged by the registration and, therefore, opposes the same.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 1. Since May 1, 1992, long prior to the acts of the Applicant herein alleged,
 Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, has continuously manufactured, advertised and
 sold to the trade and the public in interstate commerce throughout the United States a variety of
 food products, including frozen entrees, under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark.
- 2. Since prior to the acts of Applicant herein alleged, Opposer has been the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES mark, which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

<u>Trademark</u>	Registration	Registration Date
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. Section 1065.

3. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 for the SMART ONES mark results from the following chain of title:

Assignment

by Weight Watchers International Inc. to H. J. Heinz Company; recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642;

Assignment

by H. J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.; recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405; Merger

of ProMark International Inc. into H. J. Heinz Company; recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413; and Assignment

by H. J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.; recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678.

- 4. Since long prior to the acts of the Applicant as alleged herein, Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have continuously manufactured, advertised and sold to the trade and public in interstate commerce throughout the United States substantial quantities of food products of high quality under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark.
- 5. Since long prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have widely and continuously advertised and promoted Opposer's food products, including frozen entrees and side dishes, throughout the United States under its mark SMART ONES. Opposer's food products sold and advertised under the SMART ONES trademark have acquired and now possess a wide and favorable reputation.
- 6. Since long prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, Opposer's mark SMART ONES has been used by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest for the purpose of identifying and distinguishing its food products from similar products of others and the trade and public have come to know and recognize said trademark as identifying the food products of Opposer as the source thereof exclusively.
- 7. Since prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, as a result of the care and skill exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest in the manufacture and sale of its products under the SMART ONES trademark, the supervision and control exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest over the nature and quality of these products sold under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark, and the sale and public acceptance thereof, said products have acquired a fine reputation and said trademark has acquired an outstanding celebrity symbolizing the goodwill which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have created throughout the United

States by the sale of products of dependable quality and by fair and honorable dealing with the trade and public in the sales of such products.

- 8. Applicant's application to register SMARTON'S was filed on December 14, 2006 alleging a bona fide intention to use the mark in commerce in connection with "chocolate based ready-to-eat food bars; grain based food bars; granola based snack bars; ready to eat, cereal derived food bars; toaster pastries; chocolate; and candy" in International Class 30.
- 9. Upon information and belief, Applicant's claimed mark SMARTON'S to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application Serial No. 77/064,244 is confusingly similar to Opposer's SMART ONES trademark as used by Opposer.
- 10. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's claimed mark will be used are closely related to or complementary with various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used and use the SMART ONES mark.
- 11. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's claimed mark will be applied and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses and its predecessors-in-interest have used its SMART ONES mark are products that are offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade, offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers, and Applicant's claimed mark as applied to such goods is likely to cause confusion, deception or mistake, all to the damage of Opposer.
- 12. Applicant's claimed mark is nearly identical to and so resembles Opposer's SMART ONES mark as to be likely, when applied to Applicant's goods, to cause confusion, to cause mistake, or to deceive purchasers, all to the damage of Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer believes it will be damaged by the registration of Application Serial No. 77/064,244 for the mark SMARTON'S and respectively requests that the registration sought by Applicant be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application File

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Mark: SMART SELECTIONS

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Mark: SMART ONES

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Application File

Registration #: 2204080

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART ONES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	ProMark Brands Inc.			
Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	Idaho	
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Attorney information	Thomas H. Curtin Lathrop & Gage, L.C. 230 Park Avenue Suite 1847 New York, NY 10169 UNITED STATES tcurtin@lathropgage.com Phone:212-850-6220
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Applicant Information

Application No	77102934	Publication date	07/10/2007
Opposition Filing Date	08/03/2007	Opposition Period Ends	08/09/2007
Applicant	Jonmor Investments, Inc. 103 Baynard Building 3411 Silverside Road Wilmington, DE 19810 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: meat; processed meats; luncheon meats; entrees and meats consisting primarily of meat, poultry, or vegetables

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	1911590	Application Date	05/20/1994
Registration Date	08/15/1995	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		

Goods/Services	frozen entrees cons Class 030. First use	e: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Usisting primarily of chicken, been e: First Use: 1992/05/01 First Usisting primarily of pasta and/or	ef, fish and/or vegetables Jse In Commerce: 1992/05/01
U.S. Registration	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998

U.S. Registration No.	2204080	Application Date	01/08/1998
Registration Date	11/17/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/03 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/03 Frozen desserts consisting of milk based or milk substitute based desserts, cakes, pies and mousses		

U.S. Registration No.	2916539	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2001/04/01 First Use In Commerce: 2001/04/01		
	Pre-cooked ready-to-eat frozen bread or wrap having a meat and/or vegetable filling with or without cheese		

U.S. Registration No.	2916538	Application Date	01/14/2004
Registration Date	01/04/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART ONES		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1997/11/30 First Use In Commerce: 1997/11/30 Pizza		

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Signature	/Thomas H. Curtin/
Name	Thomas H. Curtin
Date	08/03/2007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of Application

Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

Mark: SMART SELECTIONS		
Serial No.: 77/102,934		
Published: July 10, 2007		
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PROMARK BRANDS INC.,	: :	
Opposer,	; ;	
v.	: Opposition No.	
JONMOR INVESTMENTS, INC.,	; ;	
Applicant.	: :	
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Commissioner of Trademarks P.O. Box 1451		

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

In the matter of Application Serial No. 77/102,934 for registration of the claimed trademark SMART SELECTIONS for use in connection with "meat; processed meats; luncheon meats; entrees and meals consisting primarily of meat, poultry, or vegetables" in International Class 29 filed on February 8, 2007 by Jonmor Investments, Inc. ("Applicant") of 3411 Silverside Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19810, which was published in the Official Gazette of July 10, 2007, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100,

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Meridian, Idaho 83642, believes that it will be damaged by the registration and, therefore, opposes the same.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

- 1. Since May 1, 1992, long prior to the acts of the Applicant herein alleged,
 Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, has continuously manufactured, advertised and
 sold to the trade and the public in interstate commerce throughout the United States a variety of
 food products, including frozen entrees, under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark.
- 2. Since prior to the acts of Applicant herein alleged, Opposer has been the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES mark, which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

<u>Trademark</u>	Registration	Registration Date
SMART ONES	1,911,590	August 15, 1995
SMART ONES	2,204,080	November 17, 1998
SMART ONES	2,916,539	January 4, 2005
SMART ONES	2,916,538	January 4, 2005

Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. Section 1065.

3. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 for the SMART ONES mark results from the following chain of title:

Assignment

by Weight Watchers International Inc. to H. J. Heinz Company; recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642;

Assignment

by H. J. Heinz Company to ProMark International, Inc.; recorded at Reel 2327/Frame 0405; Merger

of ProMark International Inc. into H. J. Heinz Company; recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413; and Assignment by H. J. Heinz Company to ProMark Brands Inc.; recorded at Reel 2631/Frame 0678.

- 4. Since long prior to the acts of the Applicant as alleged herein, Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have continuously manufactured, advertised and sold to the trade and public in interstate commerce throughout the United States substantial quantities of food products of high quality under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark.
- 5. Since long prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have widely and continuously advertised and promoted Opposer's food products including, without limitation, frozen entrees consisting primarily of chicken, beef, fish and/or vegetables, throughout the United States under its mark SMART ONES. Opposer's food products sold and advertised under the SMART ONES trademark have acquired and now possess a wide and favorable reputation.
- 6. Since long prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, Opposer's mark SMART ONES has been used by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest for the purpose of identifying and distinguishing its food products from similar products of others and the trade and public have come to know and recognize said trademark as identifying the food products of Opposer as the source thereof exclusively.
- 7. Since prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, as a result of the care and skill exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest in the manufacture and sale of its products under the SMART ONES trademark, the supervision and control exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest over the nature and quality of these products sold under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark, and the sale and public acceptance thereof, said products have acquired a fine reputation and said trademark has acquired an outstanding celebrity symbolizing

the goodwill which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have created throughout the United States by the sale of products of dependable quality and by fair and honorable dealing with the trade and public in the sales of such products.

- 8. Applicant's application to register SMART SELECTIONS was filed on February 8, 2007 alleging a bona fide intention to use the mark in commerce in connection with "meat; processed meats; luncheon meats; entrees and meals consisting primarily of meat, poultry, or vegetables" in International Class 29.
- 9. Upon information and belief, Applicant's claimed mark SMART SELECTIONS to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application Serial No. 77/102,934 is confusingly similar to Opposer's SMART ONES trademark as used by Opposer.
- 10. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's claimed mark will be used are nearly identical to or complementary with the food products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used and use the SMART ONES mark.
- 11. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's claimed mark will be applied and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses and its predecessors-in-interest have used its SMART ONES mark are products that are offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade, offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers, and Applicant's claimed mark as applied to such goods is likely to cause confusion, deception or mistake, all to the damage of Opposer.
- 12. Applicant's claimed mark so resembles Opposer's SMART ONES mark as to be likely, when applied to Applicant's goods, to cause confusion, to cause mistake, or to deceive purchasers, all to the damage of Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer believes it will be damaged by the registration of Application Serial No. 77/102,934 for the mark SMART SELECTIONS and respectively requests that the registration sought by Applicant be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

Number: 91175302

Filing Date: 01/24/2007

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 05/04/2007

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Serial #: 78638913

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART SOLUTIONS

Plaintiff

Date

Name: PROMARK BRANDS INC.

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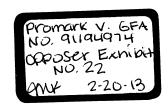
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Notice of Opposition

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Opposer Information

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Applicant Information

Application No	78638913	Publication date	09/26/2006
Opposition Filing Date	01/24/2007	Opposition Period Ends	01/24/2007
Applicant	Unilever Supply Chain, Inc. 1 John Street Clinton, CT 06413 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

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Class 03	U.			

All goods and sevices in the class are opposed, namely: Prepared or packaged side dishes consisting primarily of pasta or rice for retail sale

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Signature	/Gianfranco G. Mitrione/
Name	Gianfranco G. Mitrione
Date	01/24/2007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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PROMARK BRANDS INC.,	:	
Opposer,	; ;	
v.	: :	Opposition No.
UNILEVER SUPPLY CHAIN, INC.,	; ;	
Applicant.	: :	
	: X	
Commissioner of Trademarks P.O. Box 1451		

Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

In the matter of application Serial No. 78/638,913 for registration of the claimed trademark SMART SOLUTIONS for use in connection with "prepared or packaged side dishes consisting primarily of pasta or rice for retail sale" filed on May 27, 2005 by Unilever Supply Chain, Inc. ("Applicant") of 1 John Street, Clinton, CT 06413, which was published in the Official Gazette of September 26, 2006, ProMark Brands Inc. ("Opposer"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Idaho and having a place of business at 2541 North Stokesberry Place, Suite 100, Meridian, ID 83642, believes that it will be damaged by the registration and, therefore, opposes the same.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

1. Since May 1, 1992, long prior to the acts of the Applicant herein alleged, Opposer, through its predecessors and licensee, has continuously manufactured, advertised and

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sold to the trade and the public in interstate commerce throughout the United States a variety of food products, including frozen entrees, under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark.

2. Since prior to the acts of Applicant herein alleged, Opposer has been the owner of the following registrations in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the SMART ONES mark, which registrations have not been cancelled, are valid and in full force and effect:

Trademark	Registration	Registration Date
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Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 have become incontestable as a matter of law under 15 U.S.C. Section 1065.

3. Opposer's ownership in Registration Nos. 1,911,590 and 2,204,080 for the SMART ONES mark results from the following chain of title:

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by Weight Watchers International Inc. to H. J. Heinz Company; recorded at Reel 1971/Frame 0642.

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of ProMark International Inc. into H. J. Heinz Company; recorded at Reel 2633/Frame 0413. Assignment

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4. Since long prior to the acts of the Applicant as alleged herein, Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have continuously manufactured, advertised and sold to the trade and public in interstate commerce throughout the United States substantial quantities of food products of high quality under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark.

- 5. Since long prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have widely and continuously advertised and promoted Opposer's food products, including frozen entrees and side dishes, throughout the United States under its mark SMART ONES. Opposer food products sold and advertised under said trademark have acquired and now possess a wide and favorable reputation.
- 6. Since long prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, Opposer's mark SMART ONES has been used by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest for the purpose of identifying and distinguishing its food products from similar products of others and the trade and public have come to know and recognize said trademark as identifying the food products of Opposer as the source thereof exclusively.
- 7. Since prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, as a result of the care and skill exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest in the manufacture and sale of the aforesaid products under the SMART ONES trademark, the supervision and control exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest over the nature and quality of these products sold under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark, and the sale and public acceptance thereof, said products have acquired a fine reputation and said trademark has acquired an outstanding celebrity symbolizing the goodwill which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have created throughout the United States by the sale of products of dependable quality and by fair and honorable dealing with the trade and public in the sales of such products.
- 8. Applicant's application to register SMART SOLUTIONS was filed on May 27, 2005 alleging a bona fide intention to use the mark in commerce in connection with "prepared or packaged side dishes consisting primarily of pasta or rice for retail sale."

- 9. Upon information and belief, Applicant's claimed mark SMART SOLUTIONS to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application Serial No. 78/638,913 is confusingly similar to Opposer's SMART ONES trademark as used by Opposer.
- 10. Upon information and belief, the products to which Applicant's claimed mark will be used are nearly identical to or complementary with various products on and in connection with which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have used and use the SMART ONES mark.
- 11. Upon information and belief, the goods to which Applicant's claimed mark will be applied and the products on and in connection with which Opposer uses and its predecessors-in-interest have used its SMART ONES mark are products that are offered for sale and sold in the same channels of trade, offered for sale and sold to the same class of purchasers, and Applicant's claimed mark as applied to such goods is likely to cause confusion, deception or mistake, all to the damage of Opposer.
- 12. Applicant's claimed mark so resembles Opposer's SMART ONES mark as to be likely, when applied to Applicant's goods, to cause confusion, to cause mistake, or to deceive purchasers, all to the damage of Opposer.

Wherefore, Opposer believes it will be damaged by the registration of SMART SOLUTIONS and respectively requests that the registration sought by Applicant be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

Number: 91176390

Filing Date: 03/26/2007

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 10/24/2007

Interlocutory Attorney: CHERYL A BUTLER

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Serial #: 78828329

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART BOWLS

Plaintiff

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Applicant Information

Application No	78828329	Publication date	09/26/2006
Opposition Filing Date	03/26/2007	Opposition Period Ends	03/25/2007
Applicant	ConAgra Brands, Inc. One ConAgra Drive Omaha, NE 681025001 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029. All goods and sevices in the class are opposed, no based meat substitute	amely: frozen entrees consisting primarily of a soy-
Class 030. All goods and sevices in the class are opposed, na	amely: frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta

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Signature	/T. Curtin/		
Name	Thomas H. Curtin		
Date	03/26/2007		

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- 7. Since prior to the acts of Applicant alleged herein, as a result of the care and skill exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest in the manufacture and sale of the aforesaid products under the SMART ONES trademark, the supervision and control exercised by Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest over the nature and quality of these products sold under Opposer's SMART ONES trademark, and the sale and public acceptance thereof, said products have acquired a fine reputation and said trademark has acquired an outstanding celebrity symbolizing the goodwill which Opposer and its predecessors-in-interest have created throughout the United States by the sale of products of dependable quality and by fair and honorable dealing with the trade and public in the sales of such products.
- 8. Applicant's application to register SMART BOWLS was filed on March 3, 2006 alleging a bona fide intention to use the mark in commerce in connection with "frozen entrees consisting primarily of a soy-based meat substitute" and "frozen entrees consisting primarily of pasta or rice."

- 9. Upon information and belief, Applicant's claimed mark SMART BOWLS to be used in connection with the goods covered by Application Serial No. 78/828,329 is confusingly similar to Opposer's SMART ONES trademark as used by Opposer.
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Opposition

Number: 91193087

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Status: Terminated

Status Date: 12/01/2010

Interlocutory Attorney: <u>JENNIFER KRISP</u>

Defendant

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UNITED STATES

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Serial #: 77620901

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART GOODNESS

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Application File

Registration #: 2952127

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Mark: SMART BALANCE

Serial #: 75127811

<u>Application File</u>

Registration #: 2276285

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART BALANCE

Serial #: 75977525

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Registration #: 2200663

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Mark: SMART BALANCE

Serial #: 77512724

<u>Application File</u>

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Mark: SMART BALANCE

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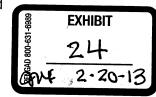
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Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART BALANCE

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	GFA Brands, Inc.
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Applicant Information

Application No	77620901	Publication date	10/20/2009
Opposition Filing Date	12/21/2009	Opposition Period Ends	12/19/2009
Applicant	Radlo Foods LLC 313 Pleasant Street Watertown, MA 02472 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 029

Opposed goods and services in the class: eggs, milk; milk products, excluding ice cream, ices milk, and frozen yogurt; egg substitute; processed food products, namely, soy oils,

Grounds for Opposition

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Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	2952127	Application Date	05/04/2001
Registration Date	05/17/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE		
Design Mark			
Description of	NONE		

Mark			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2002/09/00 First Use In Commerce: 2002/09/00 Popped and Processed Popcorn		
			Lariottica
U.S. Registration No.	2276285	Application Date	07/01/1996
Registration Date	09/07/1999	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE		
Design Mark	SMART B	ALANCE	
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use mayonnaise [, lowfat and no dressings and salad dressing	nfat mayonnaise subs	lse In Commerce: 1999/02/00 stitutes, mayonnaise style
U.S. Registration No.	2200663	Application Date	07/01/1996
Registration Date	10/27/1998	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 1996/10/00 First Use In Commerce: 1996/10/00 butter substitutes, cheese, lowfat [and nonfat] cheese [substitutes,] margarine, [lowfat and nonfat margarine substitutes,] shortening, lowfat and nonfat shortening, [snack food dips] and vegetable oils		
U.S. Registration No.	3649833	Application Date	07/01/2008
Registration Date	07/07/2009	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE		
Design Mark	SMART	BAL	ANCE
Description of Mark	NONE		

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U.S. Registration No.	2958216	Application Date	07/09/2003
Registration Date	05/31/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE OMEGA		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First U Butter substitutes, cheese, I lowfat and nonfat margarine shortening, snack food dips	lowfat and nonfat chee substitutes, shortenin	
U.S. Application No.	77200582	Application Date	06/07/2007
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority	NONE
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Design Mark	SMART BALANCE
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 029. First use: First Use: 2009/03/14 First Use In Commerce: 2009/04/00 Eggs

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by Overnight Courier on this date.

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Date	12/21/2009

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GFA Brands, Inc.)
Opposer,) Opposition No
vs.) Application Serial No. 77/620,90
Radlo Foods, LLC) Published October 20, 2009
) Mark: SMART GOODNESS

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposer GFA Brands, Inc. ("GFA"), a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 115 West Century Road, Suite 260, Paramus, NJ 07652 believes that it will be damaged by Applicant's registration of the name SMART GOODNESS, shown as United States Trademark Application Serial No. 77/620,901 (published in the Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 20, 2009), and opposes the same on the following grounds.

- 1. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration Nos.: 2,952,127; 2,276,285, 2,200,663 and 3,649,833 for the SMART BALANCE mark for certain food products, including vegetable oil.
- 2. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,958,216 for the SMART BALANCE OMEGA mark for certain food products, including vegetable oil.
- 3. GFA has adopted and continuously used the SMART BALANCE mark as a trademark for use in connection with milk in interstate commerce since 2008.
- 4. GFA has developed significant common law interest in and rights to the SMART BALANCE mark as trademark for use in connection with milk.

- 5. GFA filed an intent-to-use trademark application, Serial No. 77/200,582, for the mark SMART BALANCE in International Class 29 on June 7, 2007 for use in connection with certain food products including milk, egg substitutes and other dairy products.
- 6. GFA received a Notice of Allowance in Serial No. 77/200,582 for its mark SMART BALANCE on March 25, 2008.
- 7. GFA has adopted and continuously used the SMART BALANCE mark as a trademark for use in connection with eggs in interstate commerce since 2008.
- 8. GFA has developed significant common law interest in and rights to the SMART BALANCE mark as trademark for use in connection with eggs.
- 9. GFA filed an intent-to-use trademark application, Serial No. 77/566,103 for its SMART BALANCE mark on September 9, 2008 for use in connection with eggs.
- 10. GFA received a Notice of Allowance in connection with application Serial No. 77/566,103 for its SMART BALANCE mark on April 28, 2009.
- 11. Applicant filed its trademark application to register the name SMART GOODNESS on November 24, 2008, well after GFA filed Serial Nos. 77/566,103 and 77/200,582.
- 12. Opposer has, for many years, been engaged in the business of the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States, including vegetable oil, eggs and milk. Opposer's products have been extensively advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposer has built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its trademarks.
- 13. Notwithstanding Opposer's prior rights in and to the SMART BALANCE trademark, Applicant has filed an application, Serial No.: 77/620,901 for registration of the name

SMART GOODNESS for eggs, milk, milk product, egg substitutes and soy oils, among other

things in International Class 29.

The Applicant's SMART GOODNESS name is confusingly similar to the 14.

trademarks of Opposer and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to

cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of the SMART

GOODNESS name interferes with Opposer's use of its mark and continued use or registration of

the SMART GOODNESS name by Applicant will seriously damage Opposer.

Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that 15.

Applicant not adopt or use the SMART GOODNESS name and to abandon its application for

federal registration. Applicant has not agreed to discontinue using the SMART GOODNESS

name or to withdraw its application Serial No. 77/620,901.

WHEREFORE, Opposer requests that Application Serial No. 77/620,901 be refused

registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the mark identified in Application

Serial No. 77/620,901; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

Number: 91185689 Filing Date: 08/06/2008

Status: Terminated **Status Date:** 12/02/2008

Interlocutory Attorney: ANGELA LYKOS

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Serial #: 77311803 Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART@HEART

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Serial #: 75127811 Application File Registration #: 2276285

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART BALANCE

Granted To Date: 08/06/2008

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

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Applicant Information

Application No	77311803	Publication date	04/08/2008
Opposition Filing Date	08/06/2008	Opposition Period Ends	08/06/2008
Applicant	Healthy Delight Foods LLC 8S070 Greene Road Naperville, IL 60540 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.
All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Mayonnaise

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	2276285	Application Date	07/01/1996
Registration Date	09/07/1999	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE		
Design Mark			
Description of Mark	NONE		

Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 1999/02/00 First Use In Commerce: 1999/02/00
	mayonnaise, lowfat and nonfat mayonnaise substitutes, mayonnaise style
	dressings and salad dressings

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Name	John L. Ambrogi	
Date	08/06/2008	

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GFA BRANDS, INC.,) Opposition No.	
Opposer,) Application Serial No.: 77/311803	
vs.	Published: April 8, 2008	
HEALTHY DELIGHT FOODS LLC) Mark: SMART@HEART	

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposer GFA Brands, Inc. ("GFA"), a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 115 West Century Road, Suite 260, Paramus, NJ 07652 believes that it will be damaged by Applicant's registration of the mark SMART@HEART, shown as United States Trademark Application Serial No.: 77/311803 (published in the official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 8, 2008), and opposes the same on the following grounds.

- GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration Nos.: 2,952,127;
 2,276,285 and 2,200,663 For SMART BALANCE for certain food products, including mayonnaise.
- 2. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,182,820 for SMART OIL for certain food products.
- 3. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No.: 2,302,961 for SMART COW for certain food products.
- 4. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No.: 1,836,307 for SMART SPREAD for certain food products.
- GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration 2,084,664 for SMART
 SQUEEZE for certain food products.

6. GFA is the owner of the United States Trademark Registration No.: 1,754,419 for SMART BEAT for certain food products.

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- 7. GFA is the owner of the United States Registration Nos.: 2,045,728 and 1,933,384 for SMART SLICES for certain food products.
- 8. GFA is the owner of the United States Registration Trademark No. 1,810,146 for SMART MAYO for certain food products.
- GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,958,216 for SMART BALANCE OMEGA.
- 10. Opposer, has for many years been engaged in the business of *inter alia*, the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States, including mayonnaise and peanut butter. Opposer's products have been extensively advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposer has built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its trademarks.
- 11. Notwithstanding Opposer's prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark registration, Application has filed an application, Serial No.: 77/311803 for registration of SMART@HEART for peanut butter in International Class 29 and mayonnaise in International Class 30.
- 12. The Applicant's SMART@HEART mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposer and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART@HEART interferes with Opposer's use of its mark and continued use or registration of SMART@HEART by Applicant will seriously damage Opposer.
- 13. Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not adopt or use SMART@HEART and to abandon its application for federal registration.

Applicant has not agreed to discontinue using the SMART@HEART mark or to withdraw its

application Serial No. 77/311803.

WHEREFORE, Opposer requests that Application Serial No. 77/311803 be refused

registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the 77/311803 mark; and that this

opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

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Status Date: 09/21/2008

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Serial #: 77096048

Application File

Registration #: <u>3651641</u>

Registration #: 2952127

Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMARTCAKES!

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Serial #: 76252358 Application File

Application Status: Section 8 and 15 - Accepted and Acknowledged

Mark: SMART BALANCE

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8 09/11/2008 P'S CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE FOR WITHDRAWAL OF OPPOSITION

7 09/10/2008 WITHDRAWAL OF OPPOSITION

6 08/13/2008 AMDT APPROVED; PL'S RESPONSE DUE 9/12/08

5 07/10/2008 MOTION TO AMEND APPLICATION

4 05/05/2008 ANSWER

3 03/26/2008 PENDING, INSTITUTED

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

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Applicant Information

Application No	77096048	Publication date	11/27/2007
Opposition Filing Date	03/26/2008	Opposition Period Ends	03/26/2008
Applicant	CONAGRA FOODS RDM, INC. ONE CONAGRA DRIVE OMAHA, NE 68102 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Ready-to-eat popcorn products, namely, popped popcorn, popcorn cakes, and popcorn balls

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	2952127	Application Date	05/04/2001
Registration Date	05/17/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SMART BALANCE		
Design Mark			
Description of	NONE		

Mark	
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 2002/09/00 First Use In Commerce: 2002/09/00
	Popped and Processed Popcorn

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Signature	/jla/
Name	John L. Ambrogi
Date	03/26/2008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GFA BRANDS, INC.,		Opposition No.
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Opposer,)	Application Serial No.: 77/096048
)	
vs.)	Published: November 27, 2007
)	
CONAGRA FOODS RDM, INC.)	Mark: SMARTCAKES!
)	
Applicant.)	

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposer GFA Brands, Inc. ("GFA"), an Ohio corporation, having its principal of business at 115 West Century Road, Suite 260, Paramus, NJ 07652 believes that it will be damaged by Applicant's registration of the mark SMARTCAKES!, shown in United States Trademark Application Serial No.: 77/096048 (published in the Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 27, 2007), and opposes the same on the following grounds.

- 1. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No.: 2,952,127 and for SMART BALANCE for popped and processed popcorn.
- 2. Opposer has for many years been engaged in the business of, *inter alia*, the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States. Opposer's products have been extensively advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposer has built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its trademarks.

3. Notwithstanding Opposer's prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark registration, Applicant has filed an application, Serial No. 77/096048 for registration of SMARTCAKES! for "ready-to-eat popcorn" products in International Class 30.

4. The Applicant's SMARTCAKES! mark is confusingly similar to the trademark of Opposer and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMARTCAKES! interferes with Opposer's use of its marks and continued use or registration of SMARTCAKES! by Applicant will seriously damage Opposer.

5. Applicant has refused to agree to discontinue using the SMARTCAKES! mark or to withdraw its application Serial No. 77/096048.

WHEREFORE, Opposer requests that Application's Serial No. 77/096048 be refused registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the 77/096048 mark; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

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Status Date: 03/07/2006

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Application File

Registration #: <u>3187765</u>

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Application Status: Registered

Mark: SMART CHILI

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Commissioner for Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Arlington, VA 22313-1451

Re:

Notice of Opposition

Mark: Smart Chili

Application Serial No.: 76/595938

Published: May 17, 2005

Sir:

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Enclosed herewith are the following:

- 1. Notice of Opposition (in triplicate);
- 2. Postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite filling fee of \$300 for the Opposition to <u>Deposit Account No. 230920</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Sincerely,

WELSH & KATZ, LTD.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GFA BRANDS, INC.,) ,	Opposition No.
Opposer,)	Application Serial No.: 76/595938
vs.)	Published: May 17, 2005
ConAgra Brands, Inc.)	Mark: SMART CHILI
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NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposer, GFA Brands, Inc. ("GFA"), a Delaware corporation having a business address at 211 Knickerbocker Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626-0397 believes that it will be damaged by Applicant's registration of the mark SMART CHILI, United States

Trademark Application Serial No.: 76/595938, on the following grounds:

- 1. Opposer has for many years been engaged in the business of, *inter alia*, the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States. Opposer's products have been advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposer has built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its trademarks.
- 2. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration Nos.: 2,952,127; 2,276,285 and 2,200,663 for SMART BALANCE for certain food products.
- 3. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,182,820 for SMART OIL for certain food products.

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- 4. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,302,961 for SMART

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- ⁴ 5. GFA is the owner of United States Registration No. 1,836,307 for SMART SPREAD for certain food products.
- 6. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,084,664 for SMART SQUEEZE for certain food products.
- 7. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 1,754,419 for SMART BEAT for certain food products.
- 8. GFA is the owner of the United States Trademark Registration Nos. 2,045,728 and 1,933,384 for SMART SLICES for certain food products.
- 9. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 1,810,146 for SMART MAYO for certain food products.
- 10. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,958,216 for SMART BALANCE OMEGA.
- 11. Notwithstanding Opposer's prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark registrations, Applicant has filed an intent to use application, Serial No. 76/595938, for registration of SMART CHILI for "vegetable based meat substitutes and frozen entrees containing vegetable based meat substitutes" in International Class 29.
- 12. Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not adopt or use SMART CHILI and to abandon its application for federal registration. Applicant has refused to agree to discontinue using the SMART CHILI mark or to withdraw its application Serial No. 76/595938.
- 13. The Applicant's SMART CHILI mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposer and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART CHILI interferes with Opposer's use of

their marks and continued use or registration of SMART CHILI by Applicant will seriously damage Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer request that Application Serial No. 76/595938 be refused registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the SMART CHILI mark; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Dated: September 14, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

GFA BRANDS, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Notice of Opposition, including any enclosures is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Trademarks, P.O. Box 1451, Alexandria, VA 22313-1451 on September 14, 2005.

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Opposition

Number: 91162269

Filing Date: 09/24/2004

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 04/24/2005

Registration #: 2200663

Interlocutory Attorney: ANGELA LYKOS

Defendant

Name: Ripon Foods, Inc.

Correspondence: Mark A. Paskar

Bryan Cave LLP

211 North Broadway Suite 3600 St. Louis MO U, SA 63102-2750

Serial #: 78198463

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART BAKE

Plaintiff

Name: GFA Brands, Inc.

Correspondence: John L. Ambrogi

Welsh & Katz, Ltd.

120 South Riverside Plaza 22nd Floor

Chicago, IL 60606 UNITED STATES

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Serial #: 75977525

Application File

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Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART BALANCE

Granted To Date: 09/26/2004

Prosecution History

#	Date	History Text	Due Date
6	04/24/2005	TERMINATED	
<u>5</u>	04/24/2005	BOARD'S DECISION: SUSTAINED	
<u>4</u>	03/12/2005	NOTICE OF DEFAULT	
3	09/25/2004	PENDING, INSTITUTED	
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09/24/2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	GFA Brands, Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	09/26/2004
Address	GFA Brands, Inc. 211 Knickerbocker Road P.O. Box 397 Cresskill, NJ 07626 UNITED STATES

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Applicant Information

Application No	78198463 Publication date		03/30/2004
Opposition Filing Date	09/24/2004	Opposition Period Ends	09/26/2004
Applicant	Ripon Foods, Inc.		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 030.

All goods and sevices in the class are opposed, namely: Cookies

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Signature	/jla/
Name	John L. Ambrogi
Date	09/24/2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GF	A BRANDS,	INC.,)	0pp	osition No.	
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1,933,384 for SMART SLICES for certain food products.

GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No.

1,810,146 for SMART

MAYO for certain food products.

Notwithstanding Opposer's prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark

registrations, Applicant has filed an intent to use application, Serial No. 78/198463, for registration

of SMART BAKE for "cookies" in International Class 30.

Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not

adopt or use SMART BAKE and to abandon its application for federal registration. Applicant has

refused to agree to discontinue using the SMART BAKE mark or to withdraw its application Serial

No. 78/198463.

The Applicant's SMART BAKE mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposer

and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception

and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART BAKE interferes with Opposer's use of

their marks and continued use or registration of SMART BAKE by Applicant will seriously damage

Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer request that Application Serial No. 78/198463 be refused

registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the SMART BAKE mark; and that this

opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

Number: 91153369

Filing Date: 09/05/2002

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 11/19/2002

Interlocutory Attorney: ALBERT J ZERVAS

Defendant

Name: CONAGRA BRANDS, INC.

Correspondence: PATRICK C. STEPHENSON

MCGRATH, NORTH, MULLIN & KRATZ, P.C.

1400 ONE CENTRAL PARK PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68102

Serial #: 76111754

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - No Statement Of Use Filed

Mark: SMART NUGGETS

Plaintiff

Name: FITNESS FOODS, INC., AND GFA BRANDS.

Correspondence: DANIEL R. CHERRY

WELSH & KATZ, LTD.

120 SOUTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, 22ND FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60606

Serial #: <u>75127811</u>

<u>Application File</u>

Registration #: 2276285

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART BALANCE

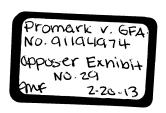
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

FITNESS FOODS, INC., and)	
GFA BRANDS, INC.,)	Opposition No.
Opposers,)	Application Serial No.: 76/111,754
vs.)	Published: June 4, 2002
ConAgra Brands, Inc.))	Mark: SMART NUGGETS
Applicant.)	I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Foctal Service, postage prepaid, as Froress Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Trademarks, 2900 Crystal Drivo, Arlington, VA 22202 on this date. Date Express Mail Label No. EL77998886545

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposers, Fitness Foods, Inc. ("Fitness"), a Delaware corporation having a business address at P.O. Box 397, 211 Knickerbocker Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626-0397, and GFA Brands, Inc. ("GFA"), an Ohio corporation, having business at P.O. Box 397. 211 Knickerbocker Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626-0397, believe that they will be damaged by Applicant's registration of the mark SMART NUGGETS, United States Trademark Application Serial No.: 76/111,754, on the following grounds:

1. Opposers have for many years been engaged in the business of, inter alia, the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States. Opposers' products have been advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposers have built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its

trademarks 09/12/2002 MPETTY 00000146 76111754 01 FC:377 600.00 OP

- 2. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration Nos.: 2,276,285 and 2,200,663 for SMART BALANCE for certain food products.
- 3. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,182,820 for SMART OIL for certain food products.
- 4. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,302,961 for SMART COW for certain food products.
- 5. Fitness is the owner of United States Registration No. 1,836,307 for SMART SPREAD for certain food products.
- 6. Fitness is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,084,664 for SMART SQUEEZE for certain food products.
- 7. Fitness is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 1,754,419 for SMART BEAT for certain food products.
- 8. Fitness is the owner of the United States Trademark Registration Nos. 2,045,728 and 1,933,384 for SMART SLICES for certain food products.
- 9. Fitness is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 1,810,146 for SMART MAYO for certain food products.
- 10. Opposers have made use of the aforementioned SMART BALANCE, SMART OIL, SMART BEAT, SMART MAYO, SMART SPREAD, SMART SLICES, SMART COW and SMART SQUEEZE marks through their related companies.
- 11. Notwithstanding Opposers' prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark registrations, Applicant has filed an application, Serial No. 76/111,754 for registration of SMART NUGGETS for "soy based products used as meat substitutes" in International Class 29.

- 12. Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not adopt or use SMART NUGGETS and to abandon its application for federal registration. Applicant has refused to agree to discontinue using the SMART NUGGETS mark or to withdraw its application Serial No. 76/111,754.
- 13. The Applicant's SMART NUGGETS mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposers and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART NUGGETS interferes with Opposers' use of their marks and continued use or registration of SMART NUGGETS by Applicant will seriously damage Opposers.

WHEREFORE, Opposers request that Application's Serial No. 76/11/1,754 be refused registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the SMART NUGGETS mark; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposers.

Respectfully submitted,

FITNESS FOODS, INC. and GFA BRANDS, INC.

September 5, 2002

By:

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Re:

Fitness Foods, Inc. and GFA Brands, Inc. v. ConAgra Brands, Inc.

Application No.: 76/111,754 Published: June 4, 2002 Our File No.: 1428/74696

Sir:

Enclosed is an original and two (2) copies of a Notice of Opposition with regard to the abovereferenced application and Welsh & Katz, Ltd Check Nos. 076741 (\$300) and 076747 (\$300) to cover the filing fee for filing the Notice of Opposition in the name Fitness Foods, Inc. and GFA Brands, Inc.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0920. Should no proper payment be enclosed, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to the above-mentioned Deposit Account. Two duplicate copies of this letter are enclosed.

Very truly yours,

WELSH & KATZ, LTD.

By:

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Opposition

Number: 91152648

Filing Date: 08/06/2002

Status: Terminated

Status Date: 07/07/2003

Interlocutory Attorney: ALBERT J ZERVAS

Defendant

Name: CONAGRA BRANDS, INC.

Correspondence: PATRICK C. STEPHENSON

MCGRATH, NORTH, MULLIN & KRATZ

222 South 15 St, 1400 ONE CENTRAL PARK PLZ

Omaha, NE 68102

Serial #: 76111751

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART YOGURT

Plaintiff

Name: FITNESS FOODS, INC., AND GFA BRANDS, INC

Correspondence: <u>JOHN L. AMBROGI</u>

WELSH & KATZ, LTD

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Chicago, IL 60606

Serial #: 75127811

Application File

Registration #: 2276285

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART BALANCE

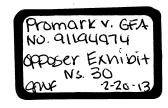
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ConAgra Brands, Inc.)	Mark: SMART YOGURT	
vs.)	Published: May 28, 2002	
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- 11. Notwithstanding Opposers' prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark registrations, Applicant has filed an application, Serial No. 76/111751 for registration of SMART YOGURT for "Soy based food products used as yogurt substitutes" in International Class 29.

- 12. Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not adopt or use SMART YOGURT and to abandon its application for federal registration. Applicant has refused to agree to discontinue using the SMART YOGURT mark or to withdraw its application Serial No. 76/111751.
- 13. The Applicant's SMART YOGURT mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposers and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART YOGURT interferes with Opposers' use of their marks and continued use or registration of SMART YOGURT by Applicant will seriously damage Opposers.

WHEREFORE, Opposers request that Application's Serial No. 76/111751 be refused registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the SMART YOGURT mark; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposers.

Respectfully submitted,

FITNESS FOODS, INC. and GFA BRANDS, INC.

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Application No.: 76/111,751 Published: May 28, 2002 Our File No.: 1428/74696

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Opposition

Number: 91152649

Filing Date: 08/06/2002

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Status Date: 06/03/2003

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Serial #: 76111750

Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - No Statement Of Use Filed

Mark: SMART LUNCH

Plaintiff

Name: FITNESS FOODS, INC., AND GFA BRANDS, INC

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Application File

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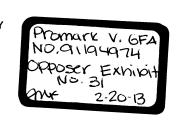
Application Status: Renewed

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NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Opposers, Fitness Foods, Inc. ("Fitness"), a Delaware corporation having a business address at P.O. Box 397, 211 Knickerbocker Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626-0397, and GFA Brands, Inc. ("GFA"), an Ohio corporation, having business at P.O. Box 397, 211 Knickerbocker Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626-0397, believe that they will be damaged by Applicant's registration of the mark SMART LUNCH, United States Trademark Application Serial No.: 76/111750, on the following grounds:

1. Opposers have for many years been engaged in the business of, *inter alia*, the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States. Opposers' products have been advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposers have built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its trademarks.

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- 2. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration Nos.: 2,276,285 and 2,200,663 for SMART BALANCE for certain food products.
- 3. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,182,820 for SMART OIL for certain food products.
- 4. GFA is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,302,961 for SMART COW for certain food products.
- 5. Fitness is the owner of United States Registration No. 1,836,307 for SMART SPREAD for certain food products.
- 6. Fitness is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 2,084,664 for SMART SQUEEZE for certain food products.
- 7. Fitness is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 1,754,419 for SMART BEAT for certain food products.
- 8. Fitness is the owner of the United States Trademark Registration Nos. 2,045,728 and 1,933,384 for SMART SLICES for certain food products.
- 9. Fitness is the owner of United States Trademark Registration No. 1,810,146 for SMART MAYO for certain food products.
- 10. Opposers have made use of the aforementioned SMART BALANCE, SMART OIL, SMART BEAT, SMART MAYO, SMART SPREAD, SMART SLICES, SMART COW and SMART SQUEEZE marks through their related companies.
- 11. Notwithstanding Opposers' prior rights in and to the above-identified trademark registrations, Applicant has filed an application, Serial No. 76/111750 for registration of SMART LUNCH for "lunch entrees consisting primarily of soy-based meat substitutes and soy-based cheese

substitutes" in International Class 29.

- 12. Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not adopt or use SMART LUNCH and to abandon its application for federal registration. Applicant has refused to agree to discontinue using the SMART LUNCH mark or to withdraw its application Serial No. 76/111750.
- 13. The Applicant's SMART LUNCH mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposers and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART LUNCH interferes with Opposers' use of their marks and continued use or registration of SMART LUNCH by Applicant will seriously damage Opposers.

WHEREFORE, Opposers request that Application's Serial No. 76/111750 be refused registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the SMART LUNCH mark; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposers.

Respectfully submitted,

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Opposition

Number: 91152706 Filing Date: 08/06/2002 Status: Terminated **Status Date:** 05/29/2003

Interlocutory Attorney: CINDY B GREENBAUM

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Serial #: 76111722 Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART PUDDING

Plaintiff

Name: FITNESS FOODS, INC. AND GFA BRANDS, INC.

Correspondence: JOHN L. AMBROGI

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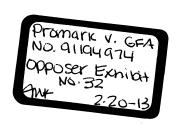
Application Status: Renewed

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1. Opposers have for many years been engaged in the business of, *inter alia*, the manufacture, sale, distribution and promotion of food products throughout the United States. Opposers' products have been advertised and promoted throughout the United States, and through such efforts, Opposers have built up substantial good will and consumer recognition of its products through its

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- 12. Opposer has written to Applicant's listed attorney of record requesting that Applicant not adopt or use SMART PUDDING and to abandon its application for federal registration. Applicant has refused to agree to discontinue using the SMART PUDDING mark or to withdraw its application Serial No. 76/111722.
- 13. The Applicant's SMART PUDDING mark is confusingly similar to the trademarks of Opposers and its use by Applicant on the goods stated in its application is likely to cause confusion, deception and mistake. Applicant's registration or use of SMART PUDDING interferes with Opposers' use of their marks and continued use or registration of SMART PUDDING by Applicant will seriously damage Opposers.

WHEREFORE, Opposers request that Application's Serial No. 76/111722 be refused registration; that no registration be issued to Applicant for the SMART PUDDING mark; and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposers.

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Application No.: 76/111,722 Published: June 11, 2002 Our File No.: 1428/74696

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Opposition

Number: 91123458

Filing Date: 06/28/2001

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Status Date: 10/20/2003

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Serial #: 75726461 Application File

Application Status: Abandoned - After Inter-Partes Decision

Mark: SMART JUICE

Plaintiff

Name: FITNESS FOODS, INC. AND GFA BRANDS, INC.

Correspondence: JOHN L. AMBROGI

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Serial #: 75127811 Application File Registration #: 2276285

Application Status: Renewed

Mark: SMART BALANCE

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Status: Abandoned after an inter partes decision by the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. For further information, see TTABVUE on the

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Mark Information

Mark Literal Elements: SMART JUICE

Standard Character Claim: No

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Goods and Services

Note:

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- · Brackets [..] indicate deleted goods/services:
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For: Fruit juices

International Class: 032 - Primary Class

U.S Class: 045, 046, 048

Class Status: ABANDONED

Basis: 1(b)

Basis Information (Case Level)

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Filed ITU: Yes

Currently Use: No

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Amended Use: No
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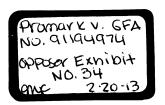
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Warren Buffett buying H.J. Heinz Co.

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Billionaire Warren Buffett is dipping into the ketchup business as part of a \$23.3 billion deal to buy H.J. Heinz Co., uniting a legend of American investing with a mainstay of grocery store shelves.

It's the largest deal ever in the food industry and is intended to help Heinz accelerate its transformation into a global business. The company, based in Pittsburgh, also makes Classico pasta sauces, Ore-Ida potatoes and Smart Ones frozen meals.

Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway and its partner on the deal - 3G Capital, the investment firm that bought Burger King in 2010 - say Heinz would remain based in Pittsburgh.

Heinz CEO William Johnson said at a news conference that taking the company private would give Heinz the flexibility to make decisions more quickly, without the burden of having to report quarterly earnings.

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Heinz looks overseas

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Johnson stressed that Heinz would remain in Pittsburgh, noting that the condition was part of the deal. He said the only changes the city should see as a result would be that Heinz would no longer be listed in the stock pages of newspapers.

As for management changes, including his own tenure, Johnson said there hadn't yet been any discussions.

Although 3G Capital has a record of aggressively cutting costs at businesses it acquires, managing partner Alex Behring noted at the news conference that Heinz is different because the business is healthy and has been growing its core sales.

Heinz's brands have power with shoppers that takes years to create, and it has been able to raise prices even in the highly competitive grocery business, said Brian Sozzi, chief equities analyst for NBG Productions.

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The deal is a departure for Buffett's investment firm, Berkshire Hathaway. Generally, Buffett prefers to buy entire companies and then allow the businesses to continue operating much the way they were before. Berkshire has also helped finance deals before - most recently during the financial crisis of 2008, when he made lucrative deals for Berkshire when few other companies had cash.

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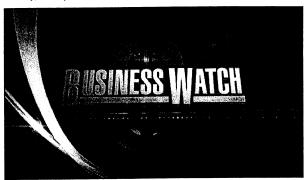
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Buffett did not immediately respond to a message from The Associated Press on Thursday. But he has recently said that he's been hunting for elephant-sized deals and at the end of September he had \$47.8 billion cash on hand to finance any investments.

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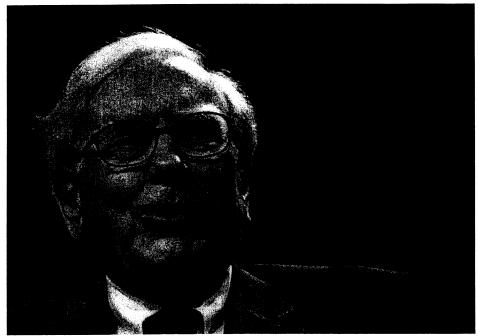
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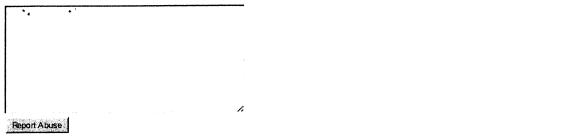
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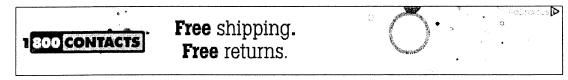
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Buffett and Brazilian investor to buy Heinz

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Berkshire Hathaway and 3G Capital plan to buy Heinz for \$28 billion.

By Carol Loomis, senior editor-at-large

FORTUNE -- Two billionaires -- business and personal friends who live on separate continents -- announced today that their companies would jointly buy H.J. Heinz Co. for \$28 billion, including the assumption of \$4 billion in debt.

The two dealmakers are Warren Buffett and the Brazilian/Swiss businessman and philanthropist Jorge Paulo Lemann. Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway (**BRKA**) will own 50% of the venture, and 3G Capital, in which Lemann is a principal, will hold the remainder.

The Lemann group will also play a role in Heinz's management, working with the company's CEO, William R. Johnson.



Warren Buffett

The all-cash deal will pay Heinz shareholders \$72.50 a share, which is just under a 20% premium to Heinz's closing price yesterday, \$60.48. Yesterday's price was near the all-time high for Heinz, which has roughly doubled since the stock market's bottom in March, 2009.

Heinz, a multinational with a growing presence in emerging markets, had revenues of \$11.6 billion and net income of nearly \$1.1 billion in its fiscal year ended last May. The company's biggest seller is its famous ketchup. Among other Heinz products are a variety of sauces, canned goods, and frozen foods including Ore-lda potatoes and Smart Ones low-calorie entrees.

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With Heinz's brands in mind, Buffett said today he had reworked a famous line from the 1967 movie *The Graduate,* in which a businessman tells young jobseeker Benjamin Braddock (Dustin Hoffman): "I just want to say one word to you. Plastics." Buffett's version: "I just want to say one word to you. Ketchup."



Jorge Paulo Lemann

For Buffett and Lemann, the Heinz (**HNZ**) deal came out of a close friendship that formed between them when both were directors of Gillette Co. in the 1990s and early 2000s. Buffett was on the board because Berkshire then owned close to 10% of Gillette. Lemann's primary business affiliation at the time was with the Brazilian brewery AmBev.

In 2004, AmBev merged with Belgium's Interbrew to form InBev, and in 2008 InBev -- with Lemann leading the drive -- took over Anheuser Busch. The amalgamation of all of these companies formed Anheuser-Busch InBev (BUD), the world's largest brewer, and a company in which Lemann remains a powerful force.

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On another key front for Lemann, **3G Capital bought control of Burger King** in 2010. The chain, fortunate to say, is a large user of Heinz ketchup.

Beyond that cameo example of good judgment, the Lemann troops are known for their tight control of costs and for their focus on creating long-term value. Buffett is in general a great admirer of how his friend -- "Georgie Paulo," as Buffett calls him -- manages his businesses.

The Lemann influence will no doubt be felt at Heinz in a major way, because that is the way Lemann works.

Before the Heinz deal came along, **Buffett had repeatedly said** that he was on the hunt for a large acquisition for Berkshire -- "an elephant," as he termed it. His \$14 billion investment in Heinz might not quite have the size to qualify. But at the least the deal could still leave him room to shop for an incontestable elephant.

Fortune senior editor-at-large Carol Loomis, who wrote this article, is a longtime friend of Warren Buffett's, the pro bono editor of his annual letter to shareholders, and a shareholder in Berkshire Hathaway.

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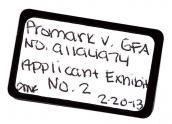


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